

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Request to include the Thissur district in Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram.

SHRI T. N. PRATHAPAN (THRISSUR): Hon. Chairman, Sir, Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram is an important scheme of the Union Government aiming at multisectoral development of minority sections. The Government has decided to increase the number of States and Districts under this scheme.

In Kerala, this scheme is very active and is available in 13 districts out of 14. The only district which is excluded from this scheme is Thrissur. Thrissur has 42 percentage of combined population of Christians and Muslims. Thrissur deserves a special consideration under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram. I would kindly request the Minority Affairs Minister to include Thrissur district in this scheme.