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Title: Need to protect the fishing hub of Kollam Parappu (Quilon Bank)-
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SHRI N.K. PPREMACHANDRAN (KOLLAM): The new routing system of ships announced by the Ministry of Shipping takes away the important fishing hub Kollam Parappu (Quilon Bank). Quilon Bank is the one of the richest fishing grounds in the south west coast for over four decades, New shipping corridor claims good portion of it. It cannot provide huge fleet of fishing boat access to the most productive strip of Kerala. It will lead to the loss of livelihood to the fisherfolk. It is necessary to protect the Kollam Parappu to ensure the livelihood of the fisherfolk. It is pertinent to note that shipping hubs in Tamil Nadu coastal region was avoided from the shipping route considering the request of Tamil Nadu Government. Alternate shipping route is possible in Kerala region also.

Hence, I urge upon to save the Quilon Bank and find out a new shipping channel without disturbing the Quilon Bank.

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