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Title: Need to set up a Navodaya Vidyalaya in Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu- Laid

SHRI H. VASANTHAKUMAR (KANYAKUMARI): Kanyakumari is the smallest district in Tamil Nadu. There is a mushroom growth of educational institutions managed by private sector but in schools where quality education is imparted, the fees are so high that poor parents are not able to send their wards. As a result, the poor students are not able to compete with others and not able to pass any examination for getting jobs and they have to contend with whatever job they get. In every State, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya has been set up but unfortunately, in Tamil Nadu there is no such school. There is enough land available in Kanyakumari and I request the Government to set up a Navodaya Vidyalaya in Kanyakumari. The school should be residential school and students should have the option to learn in mother tongue that is Tamil instead of Hindi. I request the Government to take necessary action at the earliest.