

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding the issue of erosion coastlines due to sea erosion in Tamil Nadu.

**SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI (THOOTHUKKUDI):**

Sir, according to the research carried out by the Government, India has lost almost one-third of its coastline to sea erosion. In Tamil Nadu, nearly 41 per cent of its coastline has been lost to sea erosion. In my constituency, Thoothukkudi, we have a large coastline and hundreds of fishing hamlets are located there. Within a few weeks, we are losing half of the village into the sea. It is a very, very alarming situation, and the Government is building seawalls and groynes which is not a permanent solution to this alarming situation across the country. I want to know what the Government is doing. Does it have a long-term plan to protect these villages and the lives of the fishermen?

**माननीय अध्यक्ष:** श्री बी. मणिकम टैगोर तथा श्रीमती सुप्रिया सदानंद सुले को श्रीमती कनिमोझी करुणानिधि द्वारा उठाए गए विषय के साथ संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है ।

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