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Title: Need to expedite Silk Park Scheme for the welfare of the weavers in Kancheepuram Parliamentary Constituency.

SHRI G. SELVAM (KANCHEEPURAM):

Iyatralum Eettalum Kaathalum Kaatha

Vaguthalum Vallathu Arasu

Thank you, Sir, for giving me the opportunity to speak. This is my maiden speech. I am very much grateful to Thanthai Periyar, Perarignar Anna and former DMK President, Dr. Kalaignar and my leader Shri M.K. Stalin, Shri T.R. Baalu and youth leader, Shri Udhayanidhi Stalin and District Secretary and friends for giving me the opportunity to express my gratitude to the people of Kancheepuram constituency.

Sir, today, I would like to draw the attention of the House towards an ancient trade in my constituency, that is, the handloom sector. As we all know that India is the largest consumer of silk and silk products and also the second largest producer and importer of silk in the world.

Considering that, in 2009, the then hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Dr. Kalaignar had suggested a Silk Park Scheme for the welfare of the weavers and the Central Government had accepted and announced a project for weavers welfare called Perarignar Anna Handloom Silk Park to honour former hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Shri C.N. Annadurai at his home town of Kancheepuram.

This project is still under progress. Hence, I request you to urge them to expedite the work on this project.

For the welfare of the weavers in my constituency through you, I would like to request the hon. Textile Minister to take immediate action on the implementation of the Perarignar Anna Silk Park Scheme and establishing a college for handloom in Kancheepuram.

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