## Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding construction of sea walls in coastal areas of Alappuzha, Kerala.

ADV. A. M. ARIFF (ALAPPUZHA): As you know, the fisheries sector contributes a major part to the economy through substantial employment generation, nutrition and food security. The coastal area of Kerala which extends to 580 km forms 10 per cent of India's total coastline. The livelihood of the people living in coastal areas of Kerala totally depends on the sea.

Nowadays, coastal areas in Kerala are suffering from rising sea level and coastal erosion etc. which turns out to be a threat to the entire coastal area. The Department of Fisheries in Kerala is trying to shift the coastal people and fishermen to a safer place. But this is neither a permanent nor easy process nor a solution as those people maintain their special relationship with the sea and environment.

The construction of sea wall is extremely important and can prevent the problem to a certain extent. The major coastal belt of 82 km belongs to Alappuzha which is my Parliament constituency. The construction and maintenance of sea wall and groynes in the coastal area can be completed only with Central funding. After the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, it never received Central funding during the last ten years. So, I request the Government through you to take immediate steps in this regard.

माननीय अध्यक्ष: श्री उमेश यादव, उपस्थित नहीं।

## ...(व्यवधान)

श्री राजीव प्रताप रूडी (सारण): अध्यक्ष महोदय, आधुनिक तकनीक का प्रयोग करना बहुत अच्छा है, लेकिन अभी तक इस संबंध में, इसे किस प्रकार से उपयोग किया जाए, इसका बुलेटिन सदन की तरफ से नहीं है ।

माननीय अध्यक्ष: सभी माननीय सदस्यों को बुलेटिन जारी कर दिया जाएगा।

श्री राजीव प्रताप रूडी: अध्यक्ष महोदय, बुलेटिन इस संदर्भ में जारी करें कि इसका कैसे उपयोग किया जाना है । आईपैड का उपयोग किया जाना है और किस प्रकार से उसका उपयोग किया जाना है, यह बुलेटिन में आ जाए ।