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**Title: Regarding Heavy Rainfall in Kerala**

**SHRI T. N. PRATHAPAN (THRISSUR):** Sir, there is an alarming situation in Kerala due to the heavy rainfall for the past few days. Around 13 people have lost their lives and many more people are missing. Rain is still continuing.

All the districts have been alerted on the dangerous situation. Especially, the coastal and hilly regions are shivering with the horror of floods. Schools and colleges are closed. Roads are destroyed. Landslides and floods have been reported in many parts of Kerala.

The coastal area of the State is completely devastated. The houses, shelters, fishing boats and equipment of fishermen have been destroyed in a heavy sea attack. Three fishermen have been killed in the heavy rain and sea high tides.

I request the Central Government to send a taskforce to coordinate with the disaster management in the State of Kerala. I also request the Government to allocate a special financial package for relief to the State and to rehabilitate the fishermen, farmers and others living in flood affected areas.

**HON. CHAIRPERSON:** Shri Gyaneshwar Patil – Not present.

Shri V. K. Sreekandan.