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Title: Regarding need to take proactive measures to stop sea erosion in the coastal areas of Puducherry.

SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM (PUDUCHERRY): Hon Chairman Sir, Vanakkam. Fishermen villages in the coastal areas of Puducherry are affected very much due to sea erosion. This sea erosion has caused damage to the urban and rural areas. Even the villages in the Karaikkal area are also affected. Particularly the villages in the northern part of Puducherry are affected due to Mandous cyclone which hit a week ago. Pillaichavady, Chinna Kalapet, Periya Kalapet, and Ganapathi Chettikulam are the areas which are severely affected. The livelihood of most of the fishermen has been taken away due to sea erosion. Fishing boats and houses of fishermen were severely damaged. We should protect the lives of our fishermen living in the coastal areas. This protection should be a permanent and long-lasting one. I urge upon the Union Government to take necessary steps and proactive measures to stop sea erosion and protect the lives and property of fishermen living in the coastal areas of Puducherry. Thank you.