

**Need to open a Kendriya Vidyalaya in Kallakurichi Parliamentary Constituency, Tamil Nadu-Laid**

**SHRI MALAIYARASAN D. (KALLAKURICHI):** Kallakurichi Lok Sabha Constituency is one of the 39 Lok Sabha constituencies in Tamil Nadu . It is unfortunate that this constituency does not have even a single Kendriya Vidyalaya so far. The total tribal population in Tamil Nadu is about 8 Lakh. Out of this, nearly 25% ie., 2 Lakh tribal people live in my Kallakurichi Parliamentary Constituency. They are traditional inhabitants of Kalvarayan Hills, Chinna Kalvarayan Hills, Shervaroys Hills and Pachamalai Hills of the Eastern Ghats. More than 60 per cent of the tribal people are living below poverty line. Article 46 of the Constitution requires the State to promote with special care, the educational and economic interests of the weaker sections of the people and in particular the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. To improve the literacy rate and educational standards of the tribal students especially the girls, Government of Tamil Nadu is running many schools. In order to provide quality CBSE system of education and to make tribal students match with the students in cities and towns, they require Kendriya Vidyalayas. Therefore, I urge upon the Union Minister of Education to take necessary steps for opening of a Kendriya Vidyalaya in my Kallakurichi Parliamentary Constituency.