

Regarding need to establish ECHS Polyclinics and CSD canteens in Mavelikkara Parliamentary Constituency, Kerala-Laid

SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA): There is an urgent need to establish new ECHS polyclinics and CSD canteens in Mavelikkara Lok Sabha Constituency. There is a long-pending demand from ex-servicemen and their families for setting up new ECHS polyclinics and CSD canteens in Sasthamkotta and Chengannur, as the existing facilities are inadequate to meet their needs. Furthermore, ECHS polyclinics at Kottarakkara, Chengannur, Changanassery, and Mavelikkara currently operate from rented buildings, which leads to operational constraints and financial burdens. It is imperative that these centers be provided with land and own buildings to ensure their long-term sustainability and improved service delivery. I urge the Ministry of Defence to take immediate steps to establish new ECHS polyclinics and canteens where required and to allocate land and construct permanent buildings for existing ECHS facilities currently functioning from rented premises. This will significantly benefit the large population of veterans and their families in these regions.