

Regarding release of funds under MNREGS for Tamil Nadu

**SHRI C. N. ANNADURAI (TIRUVANNAMALAI):** Hon. Chairman Sir, Vanakkam. In the beginning of this week, an announcement was made regarding the hike in salaries of Hon. MPs. I urge that the pending dues under the 100-day employment Scheme, MGNREGA should be released immediately. Particularly, an amount of Rs .4, 000 Crore is pending for release from the Union government to Tamil Nadu. Instead of increasing the salaries of Hon. MPs, you should have released the funds meant for the welfare schemes of the people. You can even stop the salaries of Hon. MPs rather the MPLAD funds should be enhanced. This will help in the development of parliamentary constituency and its people. I wish to say that the welfare of the people is more important than the hike in salaries of Hon. MPs. I therefore urge that all the pending dues for Tamil Nadu should be released immediately without any further delay in the welfare of the people. Thank you.