

Need to safeguard coconut cultivation and coconut growing farmers of Tiruvannamalai Parliamentary Constituency by providing pesticides

SHRI C. N. ANNADURAI (TIRUVANNAMALAI): Madam Chairperson, Vanakkam. Tiruvannamalai and Tirupathur districts are situated in my Tiruvannamalai parliamentary constituency. There are no big industries in this area. Agriculture is the prime profession. Coconut cultivation has been affected very much for the last 2 years. Particularly black headed caterpillar and white flies affect the yield of coconut to a large extent. I submitted a letter to the Hon. Union Minister of Agriculture in this regard and he assured to take necessary and prompt action by sending two Teams of Experts to the affected places. But till now, these insects affecting coconut cultivation are not controlled in my area. I urge upon the Union Government to issue pesticides or by importing pesticides to control these pests affecting coconut trees and their cultivation. I urge the Union Government to safeguard coconut cultivation and coconut growing farmers of Tiruvannamalai constituency. Thank you.