

Regarding need for a comprehensive plan to develop Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts in Kerala as Centre of Excellence-Laid

SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA): I would like to bring to the attention of the Government the significant potential and cultural importance of the Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara, Kerala. This historic institution, named after one of India's greatest artists, has played a vital role in nurturing generations of talented artists and preserving the country's rich artistic heritage. In recognition of its contributions, I urge the Government to consider a comprehensive development plan to elevate the college into a Centre of Excellence. This may include: ? Upgradation of infrastructure and academic resources, ? Introduction of postgraduate and doctoral-level programs, ? Establishment of a national gallery and artist residency programmes, and ? Integration with national institutions under the Ministry of Culture or the Ministry of Education. Such a move would not only honour the legacy of Raja Ravi Varma but also provide a major boost to fine arts education and cultural promotion in the region and beyond. I request the concerned Ministry to take positive steps towards realising this vision.