Need to put in place a system for regular maintenance of Rain Gauges in Uttara Kannada and other districts in Karnataka-laid

SHRI VISHWESHWAR HEGDE KAGERI (UTTARA KANNADA): I bring the issue to the kind attention of Ministry of Earth Sciences regarding the Repair and Maintenance of Rain Gauges across Karnataka State and Uttara Kannada District. Karnataka is predominantly an agrarian state, and the livelihoods of our farmers are heavily dependent on rainfall. Accurate rainfall data is crucial for agricultural activities, crop planning, and the effective management of natural calamities such as droughts and floods. Timely and precise data enables the Meteorological Department and the Department of Agriculture to make informed decisions. Therefore, I humbly request the Minister of Earth Sciences to consider this matter with utmost seriousness and issue appropriate directives to the concerned authorities to immediately inspect, repair, or replace all rain gauges at the state and district levels. Furthermore, it is essential to establish a system for the regular maintenance and supervision of these instruments.