

**Regarding construction of a new bitumen road between Devaram and Saakaloothu Mettu in Theni parliamentary constituency**

**SHRI TAMILSELVAN THANGA (THENI):** There is a long pending demand pertaining to construction of a new bitumen road between Devaram and Saakaloothu Mettu in my Theni parliamentary constituency. This is a demand which is spending for the last 50 years. To reach Saakaloothu Mettu from Devalam, there is a circular route of 100 kms. With due permission from the Department of Forests, if a road is constructed after survey, more than 50000 farm labourers and daily wage workers of this area would be benefitted as this 100 km stretch would be reduced to just 6 kms. I therefore urge this Union Government, through Hon. Chairman that a new bitumen road should be constructed between Devaram and Saakaloothu Mettu in Theni constituency with due clearance from Department of Forests. Thank you.