Title: Need to ensure that the self employment scheme reach the poor sections of the society.

DR. K. DHANARAJU (TINDIVANAM): Sir, with heavy heart and sorrow, I make this special mention that very recently, 16 Indians especially from Tamil Nadu had lost their lives in Bahrain in a fire accident at their labour camp site. It is a very sad and disturbing news for Tamil Nadu. Out of those 16 persons, eight were from my district Villupuram and others were from the neighbouring districts Cuddalore and Perambalur. All the bodies were brought back and handed over to the bereaved families. I thank for the action taken by the Government after this tragedy.

After hearing the stories told by the families, it is really painful to note that how they had gone; why they had gone; what for they had gone; and through whom they had gone [KD90].

There exist fake agencies in India, they have some tie up with foreign agencies and they export the manpower without proper intimation to the Government. They lure the poor uneducated village people.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is your demand?

DR. K. DHANARAJU: Therefore, I urge upon the Government to set up governing mechanisms to see that how these agencies are acting and how they are sending the persons to foreign countries in order to avoid all these things and put a full stop to this kind of tragedies in India. I want the Overseas Indian Affairs Ministry to take immediate action.