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Title : Need to take measures to stop the manufacture and sale of Pan Masala in the Country.

SHRI LONAPPAN NAMBADAN (MUKUNDAPURAM): Sir, I rise to bring to the notice of the House, the sufferings, agony and misery of the people, in general, and youngsters, including students, in particular, due to the liberal and uncontrolled manufacture and sale of harmful Pan Masalas in the country.

Youngsters and construction workers are generally trapped in this habit. The ingredients of Pan Masalas are highly dangerous and they are leading to serious diseases like Cancer. In a small State like Kerala, about 370 quintals of Pan Masalas are sold every month. It is alarming.

Pan Masalais treated as food item. The emblem of 'Green Dot' is allowed to be used on biscuit packet as well as Pan Masalapakets.

I would request the Government to take immediate action to stop the manufacture and distribution of Pan Masala in the country[s88].