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Title: Need to implement Dr. M. S. Swaminathan Committee Report on Agrarian crises in Kuttanad and Eco-preservation of Kuttanad Wetland System.

DR. K.S. MANOJ (ALLEPPEY): Sir, Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Committee appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture to study the livelihood crisis in Kuttanad and eco-preservation of Kuttanad Wetland System, has submitted its Report. Previously also, several studies were done regarding the agrarian problem in Kuttanad but all were in vain. But the people of Kuttanad have very much expectation on Dr. Swaminathan Committee Report. The Report has recommended an investment of more than R.1,500 crore for strengthening the various aspects of agriculture sector. The hon. Prime Minister has announced Rs.25,000 crore for agriculture sector in the Eleventh Plan.

I would request the hon. Prime Minister to sanction adequate funds to implement the recommendation of Dr. Swaminathan Committee and alleviate the sufferings of the people of Kuttanad.