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Title: Need to set up an Agriculture Engineering Institute in Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S. ALAGIRI (CUDDALORE): The mechanized agriculture is not developed in India as compared to other countries like Korea, Japan and Vietnam. About 60 per cent population of India is engaged in agriculture sector. The Agriculture Universities and ICAR have not been able to invent harvesting machines, plantation machines and affordable tractors for use in small holdings of agriculture land in India. Most Indian farmers hold less than 3 acre land. It is, therefore, necessary to set up an Agriculture Engineering Institute in India to prepare the latest technology equipment for use in the small holdings of land for increasing the production of foodgrains and vegetables.

I, therefore, urge upon the Union Government to setup an Agriculture Engineering Institute in Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadu.