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Title: Need to repair Steel Plant road in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S. SEMMALAI (SALEM): With the permission of the Chair, I wish to bring an important issue to the notice of the hon. Minister of Steel. Salem Steel Plant was started in 1970s. At that time, for the use of the plant operation and for the residency use, the Steel Plant authorities laid a pipeline for taking water from Poolampatti. From Poolampatti to the plant site, a bitumen tar road was formed for maintaining the pipeline. The villagers on either side of the said road were allowed to use the road. Even now they are using the said road. Now the road was in a bad shape with many potholes and it would no longer be used. If it is re-laid with pucca metal topping, it would be very useful for both the public and the employees also to maintain the pipeline. So, I request the hon. Minister of Steel to take up the issue on an urgent mode and allot sufficient fund for relaying the road at a length of nearly 25 kilometres. If not possible to take up the work at a stretch, the relaying work may be taken up in a phased manner at least. I hope the hon. Minister will pay heed to my request.