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Title: Need to open an Income Tax Office at Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu--laid.

SHRI R. THAMARAISELVAN (DHARMAPURI): I would like to bring to the attention of the Central Government regarding the need to open an Income Tax Office in Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu, which is my Parliamentary constituency. Presently the Income Tax Office is located at Krishnagiri and the new office opened at Hosur which also falls in Krishnagiri district, are far away from all revenue Taluks of Dharmapuri district such as Dharmapuri, Harur, Pappireddipatty, Palacode and Pennagaram. The distance of these talukas from ITO ranges from 45 kms to 100 kms. The public from all these revenue taluks have been demanding an Income Tax Office at Dharmapuri.

Dharmapuri district produces mangoes, tomatoes and chilli in good quantity meeting a sizable demand of the entire state of Tamil Nadu, and it generates considerable revenue. Moreover, Dharmapuri district is also famous for its various tourists spots like Hogenakkal Water Falls, many ancient temples and other places of historical importance related to tourism.

Since there is no Income Tax Office at Dharmapuri, the income tax payers of Dharmapuri district are put to great difficulties and hardships. Opening of an Income Tax Office at Dharmapuri will be a boon to the public and also will help to widen the tax net to tap new assessees. I, therefore, urge upon the Government to open an Income Tax office at Dharmapuri.