Title: Need to set up a Regional Office of Central Board of Secondary Education at Thiruvananthanpuram in Kerala.

SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA): I would like to draw the kind attention of the Union Government particularly the Ministry of Human Resource Development to a peculiar situation being faced by the students of Kerala. There are more than 1,000 CBSE Schools functioning in Kerala and the total number of students studying in these schools is more than one lakh but these schools are now facing a lot of administrative problems.

CBSE has many Regional Offices functioning in various parts of the country in order to decentralize the administrative functioning of CBSE. However, I would like to bring to the notice of this august House that Kerala State is included in the Chennai Region. There is a long pending demand from the Managements of CBSE schools in Kerala as well as from the parents in Kerala for the establishment of a Regional Office in Kerala. But so far the Government of India, Ministry of HRD has not considered this genuine demand of the people of Kerala.

The work load in the Chennai Regional Office is too high. Hence, the Regional Office in Chennai is not giving proper attention to the schools in Kerala, which is resulting in a number of problems in these schools. The parents/students of these schools have to go to Chennai Regional Office for each and everything, which among other problems is a very time consuming affair. The number of schools opting for CBSE syllabus is also increasing each year as the parents are interested to send their children to CBSE schools.

I, therefore, would request the Hon'ble Human Resource Development Minister to set up a Regional Office of CBSE at Trivandrum in Kerala, as early as possible.