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Title: Need to provide financial assistance to the Government of Kerala for setting up of Water Treatment Plants in Mavelikara Municipality Town, Kerala.

**SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA):** There is a crisis of drinking water in Mavelikara Municipality Town of my constituency in Kerala. The water supplied to the household for drinking and other household purposes is untreated and is supplied from the endpoint of a garbage canal called Kottathodu which falls into the Achenkovil River. Since there is no water treatment plant at Mavelikara, a large number of people numbering about 35,000 are forced to drink this untreated water. The Water is highly unhygienic and contaminated and leads to various diseases. Outbreak of water borne diseases is very common in Mavelikara. Kottahtoudu canal has turned into a common garbage disposal point. This prevents free flow of sewage and rainwater. During incessant rain, the problem becomes more severe. After suffering from this problem for a long time, the residents of Mavelikara resorted to Dharna in the month of October, 2011 to press for their demands.

I, therefore, request the Government to immediately take steps to revamp the water supply system, ensure pure drinking water to the people, and establish a reliable water treatment plant in Mavelikara Municipality Town. Cleaning of the Kottathoudu canal may also be undertaken immediately in order to ensure free flow of sewage and rain water. Financial assistance may please be given to the Kerala Government for execution of this work.