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Title: Need to grant approval for setting up of Research Centre by DRDO.

SHRI R. THAMARAISELVAN : Thank you, Chairman, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Government, through you that an initiative was taken by the DRDO last year to set up a Defence Research Centre in my Parliamentary constituency, Dharmapuri. For this purpose, the State Government of Tamil Nadu had identified the lands for allotment to Defence Research and Development Organisation. A team of DRDO has also inspected the site at Dharmapuri on 25.9.2010 and land measuring 817.56 acres of Government land and 11.76 acres of private land have been selected for this purpose at Nekkunthi Village, Dharmapuri taluk and district.

Sir, Dharmapuri is industrially a most backward area in the State of Tamil Nadu. This initiative was a golden opportunity to get an employment for nearly 15,000 people of this district. The State Government and the District Administration had also provided all the details required by the DRDO to set up the Research Centre at Dharmapuri. However, the DRDO is waiting for the Government's sanction to accelerate the pace of setting up this important project.

Therefore, I would like to urge upon the hon. Defence Minister to direct the authorities concerned to forthwith grant approval for setting up of the above Research Centre of the DRDO at Dharmapuri so that people of this industrially backward district can get employment.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House stands adjourned to meet tomorrow, the 9th August, 2012 at 11 a.m.

18.50 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock

on Thursday, August 9, 2012 / Sravana 18, 1934 (Saka).

* Due to interruptions in the House, starred questions could not be taken up for oral answers. Therefore, these starred questions were taken as unstarred questions.

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