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Title: Need to set up a Kendriya Vidyalaya in Salem district, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S. SEMMALAI (SALEM): Salem is one of the largest districts in Tamil Nadu having a population of 3.48 million and a literacy rate of 73.23%. It has quite a number of public sector undertakings and Central Government Offices and Banks. Transferrable staff and officers are finding it difficult to get their children admitted in schools of repute. They are definitely in need of one Kendriya Vidyalaya to come to their rescue. The irony is that Salem district does not have a Kendriya Vidyalaya. There is no Kendriya Vidyalaya either in Salem city or in the District. The plight of Central Government employees, including quite a lot of Ex-servicemen and families of military personnel to get admission to their children is pathetic. Taking into account the need and demand to have quality education for them, it is just and necessary to start one Kendriya Vidyalaya. This justifiable demand needs to be considered favourably.