

Title : Need to erect a wall along the sea coast in Kancheepuram Parliamentary Constituency to provide protection to the coastal villages and Nuclear Power Station against high tidal waves.

SHRI P. VISWANATHAN (KANCHEEPURAM): Sir, in my constituency Kancheepuram, along the 66 kilometre coastline, there are 34 villages with about 25,000 fishermen families. High tidal waves cause severe sea erosion, submerging the coastal area inhabited by fishermen since 1966, and coastal landward length of sea ranging from 25 to 300 metres have been occupied by sea. The Nuclear Power Station of Kalpakkam had to be shut down during the Tsunami in 2004.

Due to the North East Monsoon effect, the coastal villages of Pudupattinam and Uyyalippam were seriously affected. The coastal belt can be protected from sea erosion by construction of groyne walls.

I request the Central Government to take up the work on top priority so that the fishermen families can be protected.