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Title: Need to establish National Institute for Nature Cure and Yoga at Nooranadu Leprosy Sanitarium in Mavelikkara Constituency of Kerala.

SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH (MAVELIKKARA): The Ministry of AYUSH has planned for setting up of a National Institute for Nature Cure and Yoga Institute in Kerala. Nature cure and yoga treatment are very beneficial for the common man. Thousands of patients in the country need nature cure and yoga treatment. In Kerala, this treatment is very much liked by the people and there are a number of Ayurveda and Siddha hospitals, at the same time there are not sufficient number of Nature Cure Hospitals in Kerala.

In Varkala, there is one Nature Cure Hospital and Yoga Centre, which comes under the Government of Kerala. If Government of India under the Ministry of AYUSH sets up a Nature Cure Institute, that would be of great help to the common man in Kerala. In my Parliamentary Constituency, Mavelikkara, there is one Leprosy Sanatorium at Nooranad, where leprosy patients are rehabilitated. This Sanatorium has more than 150 acres of land. If the Government of India requests the Government of Kerala to get 10 to 15 acres of land from it, the proposed National Institute of Nature Cure and Yoga can be set up at this place.

The Leprosy Centre at Nooranad is an ideal place for setting up the said institute because it is equidistant from the East, the State Highway and on the West, the National Highway. The Leprosy Centre at Nooranad is also very near to the Mavelikkara, Changanassery and Kayamkulam railway stations.

Hence, I would like to request the hon. Minister of AYUSH to approach the Government of Kerala for getting 10 to 15 acres of land from the Sanatorium for establishing the proposed Nature Cure and Yoga Institute in Kerala.