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Title: Regarding the need to establish godowns with cold storage facility for flower growers in Tiruvannamalai constituency and to set up a perfume manufacturing unit.

SHRIMATI R. VANAROJA (TIRUVANNAMALAI): Thank you Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, agriculture is a big traditional occupation in my Tiruvnnamalai Constituency. Apart from cultivation of paddy, cultivation of flowers like malligai, mullai, roja and chambanki is also carried out widely due to suitable climatic conditions. These flowers are in great demand and they are being taken to several parts of the country. They are also being used elsewhere for perfume manufacturing.

Due to the absence of cold storage facilities and non-availability of perfume manufacturing units, most often flowers get perished and suffer price fluctuations causing loss to the farmers. In order to help the flower growers to get steady and remunerative earnings from flower cultivation, the Union Government may kindly establish godowns with cold storage facility. A perfume manufacturing unit may also be set up there which will help reduce production cost.

Thank you.