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Title: Need to send a medical team to contain the spread of Monkey Fever disease in Wayanad district in Kerala.

SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS (WAYANAD): There is a sudden and alarming rise in Kyasanur Forest Disease (KFD), or Monkey fever in various parts of Wayanad district in Kerala. Most importantly several tribal hamlets have been affected by the outbreak of this disease. Taking into consideration the gravity of the issue, I would urge the Union government to immediately send an expert team of doctors and specialists to supplement the state government's efforts in launching preventive measures against the spread of Monkey fever in Wayanad. In addition to this, the families of the deceased must be granted a solatium of Rs. 3 lakh each.

As regards the preventive steps to be taken, I would urge the government to establish a permanent facility with the help of National Institute of Virology or other relevant centres for regular surveillance and testing of virus at regular intervals.