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Title: Need to set up a passport office in Salem Parliamentary Constituency.

SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM (SALEM): I would like to request the hon. External Affairs Minister to set up a Passport Office in my Salem constituency as this has been a long pending matter. The nearest Passport office is located nearly 130 km. away in the district of Coimbatore. It is difficult for the people of my constituency to travel that far and apply to get Passport. Salem is the fifth largest city in Tamil Nadu. Hence, I would request the hon. Minister to consider my request and set up the Passport office in Salem, Tamil Nadu which would fulfil the needs of the people of my parliamentary constituency.