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**Title: Regarding construction of dams at Nallar and Anamalaiair in Pollachi Parliamentary Constituency of Tamil Nadu - Laid.**

SHRI C. MAHENDRAN (POLLACHI): The former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had insisted on the construction of 2 dams with a capacity of 93 tmc at Nallar and Anamalaiair by fully utilizing the water received from Upper Nirar and from Lower Nirar Dams at a cost of Rs. 1540 Crores.

The water received from South West Monsoon in the Upper Nirar dam is now diverted through the Solayar Dam, Parambikulam Dam and Thunakkadavu Dam and finally reaches Tirumoorthy Dam through Contour Canal after passing through a long distance of 120 Kms. Due to the long distance covered by water before it reaches Thirumoorthi Dam, the loss due to evaporation, seepage and percolation is high. Sometimes, during rainy seasons, the water flow is in excess.

To avert these losses and for managing the water effectively, another canal should be constructed under the tunnel at a length of 14.4 km which is necessary. Hence, a dam is the need of the hour at Nallar (3214ft), which is situated above the level of Thirumoorthi Dam (1336 ft).

By constructing a Dam at Nallar (3214ft), it is easy to install 2 Sub-stations with the capacity of 175 MW each to generate 350 MW of electricity and the tail race water from the power houses will reach Thirumoorthi Dam(1336 ft). Due to this, my constituency people will be benefitted. By this an additional 5000 acres of dry land will be converted into cultivable land immensely benefitting the agriculturists. It will augment the supply of drinking water in the surrounding villages. Further, additional 350 MW electricity generating units can be created and the existing loss of water will be minimized and effectively managed.

I request the Central Government to execute the Nallar and Anamalaiair Water projects immediately by allocating a sum of Rs. 1540 crores to my Pollachi constituency at the earliest.