Non-implementation of reservation in M.Tech courses in Anna University, Chennai

SHRI N.R. ELANGO (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I thank you for this opportunity and with your permission, I would like to raise this important issue. In Tamil Nadu, the Central Government has funded M.Tech Biotechnology, M.Sc. Medical Biotechnology and M.Sc. (Agricultural Biotechnology) courses. The prospectus of those courses says that the participating institutions are required to follow the reservation as applicable to them. In Tamil Nadu, 69 per cent reservation policy is being adopted. But now the Central Government insists only for 50 per cent reservation. This makes the State Government to increase the number of seats and bear the expenditure. This is very unjustified and I request this Government through this august House to follow 69 per cent reservation in these courses and in all the courses wherever the State-specific reservation is ensured.

SHRI P. WILSON (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

SHRI M. SHANMUGAM (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

DR. AMAR PATNAIK (Odisha): Sir, I also associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

प्रो. मनोज कुमार झा (बिहार) : महोदय, मैं भी माननीय सदस्य द्वारा उठाए गए विषय से स्वयं को संबद्ध करता हूं।

MR. CHAIRMAN: All those who want to associate, please send the names.

Need to allow Haj pilgrims from Tamil Nadu to board from Chennai instead of Cochin Airport

SHRI A. MOHAMMEDJAN (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I thank you very much for giving this opportunity to me. From Tamil Nadu, every year about 4,000 Haj pilgrims used to