

Books on Kalingarayan canal and history of Erode released

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ERODE: Five books written by the founder of Kongu Research Centre, Pulavar Se. Rasu, were released here on Sunday.

The Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Subbulaksh-

mi Jagadeesan, while releasing 'Kalingarayan Canal', said that without expecting any gain, Kalingarayar had arranged the digging of the canal, which was being used by many people.

But the heirs of Kalingarayar and his relatives were

not using it. She said the water flowing in the canal once helped farmers raise crops, but now it was affecting the standing crop because the canal has been polluted by effluents discharged by tanners and dyers. She said the books written by Pulavar Rasu were of historic value

and a 'treasure' for the State. Releasing the book on, 'Erode District History', Handlooms and Textiles Minister N.K.K.P. Raja said many youngsters in Kongu region were not aware of the history of the Kongu region and Erode district.

But after reading the

books, many people, including himself, had learnt several details. He said in Kongu region, many people had come up because of the hospitality of the people.

Pulavar Se. Rasu said his writings on historical subjects about the Kongu region would continue.