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Title: Regarding the soaring prices of Onions in India.

SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI: Sir, the onion prices have tripled and even become four times what it was a few months ago and the budget of the middle-class family is soaring. They are not being able to afford to buy onions. It is a very bad situation across the entire country. In Tamil Nadu, Delhi, and Mumbai, the price of onions is over Rs.100 per kg.

Trade analysts suggest that the current hike in onion prices is attributed to illegal hoarding of onions, excess rain, and also because of the traditional methods used by the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India. And because of this, most of the onions which they have actually stored have decayed and got spoiled. In spite of the ban on exports, the prices are soaring.

I want to know what the Central Government is doing to control the price of onion. We have also asked for a Short Duration Discussion on this. I request you to consider it because it is a very important and burning issue in the country. Thank you.

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