

**Title:** Urged the Central Government to provide immediate financial assistance to the state government of Tamil Nadu to counter the cyclone damages.

SHRI ADHI SANKAR (CUDDALORE): Sir, I would like to raise an important issue and request the Central Government to give financial assistance to the State of Tamil Nadu.

Yesterday, there was a severe cyclone in my constituency, Cuddalore. The cyclone was accompanied by gale winds of over 200 kms per hour and heavy rains causing widespread damage in my constituency.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You can associate yourself with the matter which has already been raised.

SHRI ADHI SANKAR : Sir, there was a severe cyclone in my constituency alone. The entire electric system has been damaged. All the electric polls and telephonic polls have been uprooted. So far, three persons have lost their lives and 20 fishermen are missing.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: This matter has already been raised. You can associate yourself with it.

SHRI ADHI SANKAR : According to the Railway authority, almost all the trains have been cancelled. More than one lakh trees have been uprooted. The Government of Tamil Nadu has taken all the precautionary measures. All the educational institutions have declared holidays. The approximate cost of the damage is estimated to be nearly Rs.1000 crore.

So, I urge upon the Central Government to rush immediate relief and give financial assistance to the Government of Tamil Nadu.

**श्री रतिलाल कालिदास वर्मा (धंधुका) :** उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, हमने भी नोटिस दिया है।

**उपाध्यक्ष महोदय :** जब आपका नाम आएगा तब आपको मौका मिलेगा।