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Title: Need to withdraw the increased rate of toll-tax at Toll Gates on Chennai-Bangalore National Highway.

SHRI ABDUL RAHMAN (VELLORE): The All India Motor Transport Congress (AIMTC) and the Tamil Nadu Lorry Owners' Association are on indefinite strike for the past 12 days in three specific toll gates viz Krishnagiri, Pallikonda, & Natrampalli on Chennai-Bangalore National Highway. This is due to enormous hike in tariff to be paid at above toll gates with effect from 01.08.2011. Soon after coming into effect of hike, all buses and lorries went on indefinite strike and there is no movement on the national highway. This has caused huge loss in terms of business and disastrous results in commercial activities.

Its adverse impact has heavily affected vehicles of all educational institutions like schools and colleges which in turn is causing extra burden of additional payment to be collected from school and college going students.

The above unreasonable multifold increase in toll rate should be immediately withdrawn by the Government.