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Title: Need to withdraw the enhanced rate of third party insurance premium to protect the interests of autorickshaw workers.

SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN (COMBATORE): At present the autorickshaw workers are in distress due to abnormal price rise of petrol, diesel, spare parts and maintenance charges apart from the new passenger vehicles like Call Taxis, Share Autos and Tata Magic vans. Adding fuel to the fire the third party insurance premium has been increased upto Rs. 1000/ for a single operator. Due to the increase of third party insurance premium amount, a single owner of Autorickshaw has to remit a third party insurance premium amount upto Rs. 3000/ instead of Rs. 1663/-. It is painful to note that the final compensation amount has not also increased proportionate to the increase of premium amount. The Autorickshaw workers are now in a pathetic economic condition.

In this circumstances, I request that the increase towards Third Party insurance Scheme be scrapped immediately and the Autorickshaw workers be provided relief.