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Title : Need to pay 50% of crop insurance to the affected farmers of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI O.S. MANIAN (MAYILADUTHURAI): Respected Chairman, Sir, In Tamil Nadu the farmers who had implanted crops for the year 2008-09 suffered a huge loss due to heavy cyclone, rain and floods. Under the Crop Insurance Scheme of the Central Government, 50 per cent of the amount of loss has been only given until now. The balance amount has not yet been given. The concerned officials of the Tamil Nadu Government have said that the Central Government has not released 50 per cent of the balance fund to them and hence they have not released the balance fund to the farmers who suffered a huge loss. Is it true? If it is true, then, I would request the Central Government to immediately release the balance fund which has been pending from June, 2009.