Need to withdraw levying of parking entry and exit fees on vehicles for dropping and picking up passengers at airports ? Laid

SHRI ARUN NEHRU (PERAMBALUR): I wish to draw the attention of the Government towards an issue faced by passengers at airports across the country. It has been observed that airport authorities are levying parking entry and exit fees on vehicles dropping or picking up passengers. This practice is causing undue financial burden on the public. The matter is further concerning as it has been indicated that all charges, including parking-related costs, are already accounted for in the air ticket fare under the User Development Fee (UDF). Charging separate fees for vehicle entry and exit appears to be duplication, which is unfair to passengers and their families. I urge the Union Government to investigate the matter and direct the Airport Authority of India (AAI) and private airport operators to immediately discontinue this practice. There is a need for strict regulations to ensure transparency and to prevent double charging, thereby safeguarding the interests of the public.