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Title: Proposed hike in parking fee at railway stations.

SHRIMATI C.S. SUJATHA (MAVELIKARA): Sir, the proposed hike in the parking fees of vehicles parked at the Railway Stations would affect adversely the railway commuters as well as the revenue earnings of the Railways.

The proposed hike for bicycles is from Rs.2.00 to Rs.40.00, for two-wheelers from Rs.60 to Rs.180, for Auto Rikshaws from Rs.100 to Rs.700 and for cars from Rs.400 to Rs.1500.

The daily commuters of Railways generally depend on bicycles and two-wheelers to reach the stations. The exorbitant fees on the parking of vehicles would put heavy economic burden on these commuters which may force them to opt for alternate transporting means. Such a situation would also result in the railways losing good percentage of its revenue earnings.

I, therefore, urge upon the hon. Minister to take immediate steps to withdraw the anti-people order keeping in view the interest of the Railway passengers.