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Title: Need to take steps to evacuate the Non-Resident Indians stranded at Najran in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

SHRI ANTO ANTONY (PATHANAMTHITTA): Madam, I request the Government to kindly evacuate the Non-Resident Indians stranded at Najran in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Due to its geographic proximity to Yemen, Najran has become the target of the attack of Houthi rebels. Mortar shells and missiles fired by Houthi rebels across the Yemeni border have hit hospitals, schools and many buildings in Najran. As per reports, as many as 600 people residing in Najran have lost their lives, and about three lakh people have fled from the area. This is the present condition in Najran.

It is learnt that a lot of Indian nationals are still stranded in Najran. I have received e-mails from some of the nurses who are working at the Najran Armed Forces Hospital. I am informed that the hospital building has been destroyed and some of the staff members were killed in the shell attacks. The Hospital authorities are not providing any security to these nurses. This is not only the case of our nationals working at the Najran Armed Forces Hospital. In the similar manner, our nationals are stranded in various areas of Najran, and they are not in a position to communicate with each other.

The highest number of NRIs is from my Constituency. Most of them are from my Parliamentary Constituency. I seek your help to request the Government to urgently intervene in the matter to evacuate our nationals from Najran. It is an urgent matter. I would seek your help.

माननीय अध्यक्ष :

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श्री एम.के. राघवन,

श्री एम.बी. राजेश और

श्री मुत्तापल्ली रामचन्द्रन को श्री एंटो एन्टोनी द्वारा उठाये गये विषय से संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है। वे अपना नाम देना चाहते हैं। कृपया बैठ जाइए।

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माननीय अध्यक्ष : सभी लोगों को क्या हो गया है?

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