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Title: Need to implement the poor people oriented measures to protect the interests of the poor people.

SHRI G. HARI (ARAKKONAM): Hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Puratchi Thalaivi Amma has suggested the Union Government to implement poor people oriented measures to bring down prices and protect the poor:

- Subsidize food items including pulses and edible oil,
- Roll back the additional excise duty levied on petrol and diesel announced earlier this year,
- Enable cheaper movement by rail by reducing the freight rates for essential commodities,
- Reduce the toll fee collected particularly from freight vehicles,
- Provide adequate input subsidy to farmers to encourage production of pulses and oil seeds with assured price and purchase mechanism.

I, therefore, urge the Union Government to implement the poor-people oriented measures to protect the interests of the poor people as suggested by our hon. Leader Puratchi Thalaivi Amma.