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Title: Need to enquire into the accident at St. Thomas Mount Station in Sriperumbudur and give compensation to deceased and injured persons.

SHRI K. N. RAMACHANDRAN (SRIPERUMBUDUR): A pathetic railway accident happened yesterday in my Constituency at St. Thomas Mount station. The accident was caused purely because of the mistake of railway technicians and officials. Poor people died in that accident, six people were injured, and two of them are in serious condition. The train going towards Tambaram was to come on Platform 2 of St. Thomas Mount Station in the normal course. All of a sudden, without intimation the train was diverted to Platform 4. If the train had come on to Platform 2 as it usually does, this accident would not have happened.

Human loss cannot be compensated. However, I request you to kindly make an inquiry into the matter and give a compensation of Rs. 30 lakh for lost lives and Rs. 5 lakh for injured persons.