Title: Introduction of the Beedi Workers Welfare Cess (Amendment) Bill,1998. Motion under consideration- adopted.

12.36 hrs.

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MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill further to amend the Beedi Workers Welfare Cess Act, 1976."

The motion was adopted.

DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Sir, I introduce** the Bill.

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** Introduced with the recommendation of the President.

MR. SPEAKER: Now, we take up Matters under Rule 377. Shri Rama Nand Singh.

... (Interruptions)

PROF. P.J. KURIEN (MAVELIKARA): Sir, what about the Zero Hour?

MR. SPEAKER: There are only 12 matters under Rule 377. We will come to the Zero Hour after this is completed.

... (Interruptions)

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER (TENALI): Mr. Speaker, Sir, Special Mentions under Rule 377 are always taken up after the Zero Hour. So, I request you to kindly follow the same procedure.

MR. SPEAKER: All right. I have got the list of Members who want to speak during the Zero Hour. I think the first name is of Shri Vaiko.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: If every Member speaks for two or three minutes I can allow all the Members who have given notices for the Zero Hour. Shri Vaiko.