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I had loaded 3 passengers into the helicopter according to optimal weight & balance calculations. The helicopter was already on and running, with no visible or audible issues. The Pilot took off as normal on his flight path when I heard the sound of something lighten in pitch, I turned to see him slowly & controlled lowering to the bottom of the ramp on the garage. I ran to the helicopter to unload the passengers and escort them to a safe distance. I returned to the helicopter and the loud whirring occurred again and the helicopter started to spin, tail towards me, I fell down to the ground to avoid the tail rotor, it passed over me and hit the car windshield beside me. It performed one full rotation, to my knowledge before the pilot shut the aircraft down completely and it stopped moving. No one was injured during this event that came forward to myself or my staff.

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At initial take off with helicopter 4405H upon forward motion the electronic engine gov. appeared to fail by an engine Rpm condition are normal limits.

I managed the aircraft in such a manner as to land again in appx. 150'.

at this time the passengers were removed from the aircraft, when safely clear ~~they~~ I attempted to reposition the aircraft to its original spot, at the time I increased the throttle to return to normal engine Rpm the aircraft started spinning uncontrollably. I shut down the throttle and it was unresponsive. At this time I pulled the red mixture to shut down the engine, and allowed the aircraft to settle in place.

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