

Opening of full fledged ticket counter at Sankarankovil in Tamil Nadu

1214. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up upgraded full fledged ticket counter functioning from 8 AM to 8 PM at Sankarankovil in Tamil Nadu for being a well known tourist and religious place and there is a need for such ticket counter system;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The working of the existing ticket counter at this station is adequate as per the yardstick prescribed on Indian Railways.

Lack of facilities at Tirupur railway station in Tamil Nadu

1215. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any representation regarding lack of facilities, like lack of adequate ticket counters and unconditioned platforms in Tirupur railway station in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, whether Government has initiated any plan to upgrade the Tirupur railway station which handled 12000 passengers a day and generates above Rs.6 lakh in earnings;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The Station was selected for development as Model station.

(c) The following works have been taken up at Tiruppur station:

(i) Platform shelter for the full coverage on Platform No.I.

(ii) Improvements to circulating area.