

**श्री राम नाथ ठाकुर** (बिहार): महोदय, मैं भी माननीय सदस्य द्वारा उठाए गए विषय से स्वयं को सम्बद्ध करता हूँ।

**श्री सभापति**: ठीक है, धन्यवाद। एसोसिएट करने वाले माननीय सदस्य स्लिप भेज दें। माननीय गृह मंत्री जी बैठे हैं, वे इसको देखें। श्री ए. मोहम्मदजन।

**Need for resuming the local train service from Ranipet to  
Chennai in Tamil Nadu**

SHRI A. MOHAMMEDJAN (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I am very thankful to you for the opportunity that you have given to me. My birthplace Ranipet in Tamil Nadu is just 110 kilometres away from Chennai. It is surrounded by a lot of big towns and it is a historical place. It is surrounded by Arcot, Melvisharam, Walajapet, which are the main places for manufacturing of finished leather and shoes. Walajah is a main place known for silk sarees and dhotis and Arcot for paddy and rice. From these places, a lot of business people and regular office-goers are going to Chennai daily. About 40-50 years ago, a train was running from Ranipet to Walajah Road, which is about five kilometres from Ranipet and it gave connection to Selam, Bengaluru and Chennai trains. But it was stopped. I do not know why. Now the old station has been renewed and all the facilities have been provided. All the buildings have been constructed. Ticket counters have been constructed and it is ready to resume the train service. The premises of those buildings are being misused by anti-social elements. I humbly request our hon. Prime Minister, Modiji and our hon. Union Railway Minister, Shri Piyush Goyal, the stalwarts in achievements, to consider my plea sympathetically and on humanitarian grounds and bring to light by taking action regarding resuming the railway service from Ranipet to Chennai via Walajah Road and Arakkonam. This will help the downtrodden section of society and the poorest people to get transport amenities, which will coherently reflect the dreams of our Prime Minister, Modiji. At least, a local train or EMV service can start from this place whereby it can start from Ranipet at 6.00 a.m. and come back from Chennai at 6.00 p.m. so that the regular office-goers can be benefited. Our hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Dr. Palaniswami has announced Ranipet as the district headquarters. So I request that a train may be resumed from Ranipet to Chennai.

**Long pending criminal cases involving elected representatives**

SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR (Andhra Pradesh): Sir, I am raising an issue with regard to pending criminal cases and disposal of criminal cases against the representatives-MLAs, MPs and others. In fact, the hon. Constitution Bench, the