

सप्लाई कर रहे हैं, वह टिकाऊ और मजबूत न होने से निर्माणाधीन वस्तु की लाइफ घट रही है। इसके अलावा, मिलावट से भारी आर्थिक नुकसान होता है, क्योंकि घटिया सामग्री से बनी इमारतों को बार-बार मरम्मत और अंततः पुनर्निर्माण की आवश्यकता होती है। इससे न केवल करदाताओं पर बोझ पड़ता है, बल्कि हमारे देश की प्रगति भी प्रभावित होती है।

इससे इमारतों, पुलों और सड़कों की सुरक्षा और स्थायित्व को खतरा उत्पन्न हो रहा है, जिससे अनगिनत लोगों की जान जोखिम में पड़ रही है। इमारतों और पुलों के गिरने से जान-माल की हानि तो होती ही है, इसके साथ-साथ, कई मासूम, निष्पाप लोगों को मृत्यु का सामना भी करना पड़ता है।

मैं सरकार से इस मुद्दे को हल करने के लिए तत्काल कार्रवाई करने का आग्रह करता हूँ। महोदय, सख्त नियमन, बेहतर गुणवत्ता नियंत्रण उपायों और मिलावट के दोषी पाए जाने वालों के लिए कठोर दंड करने की आवश्यकता है। यह सुनिश्चित करना है कि हमारे देश का बुनियादी ढांचा गुणवत्तापूर्ण, सुरक्षित और टिकाऊ आधार पर निर्मित हो। धन्यवाद।

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by hon. Member, Shri Babubhai Jesangbhai Desai: Shri R. Girirajan (Tamil Nadu), Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha), Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra) and Dr. John Brittas (Kerala).

Need for more trains in North Kerala

SHRI SANDOSH KUMAR P (Kerala): Sir, I invite your kind and urgent attention regarding the need to allot a new Vande Bharat train service connecting Ernakulam and Mangalore, and new MEMU services in North Kerala, considering overcrowding in the existing trains. The existing train services in North Kerala are insufficient to meet the travel demands of the commuters. Although more people in the North Kerala region have taken to rail travel, there has not been a concurrent rise in the number of trains or coaches. Since the trains are always overcrowded, passengers often complain that sometimes they can't get into the compartments. Passengers are often forced to get down at nearby stations due to overcrowded compartments. There are also cases of passengers getting seriously injured and losing their lives after falling from running trains. The problem can be addressed only through the allotment of more train services and an increase in the number of general and sleeper coaches in the existing trains. I demand that, since there is no Vande Bharat train between Ernakulam and Mangalore, allotting a new Vande Bharat train on this route would immensely benefit the passengers in North Kerala. Introducing a new MEMU service between Palakkad and Kasaragod would also address the overcrowding in the existing train services. Thank you, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by hon. Member, Shri Sandosh Kumar P: Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu), Dr. Kanimozhi NVN Somu (Tamil Nadu), Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Shri R. Girirajan (Tamil Nadu), Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha), Shri Haris Beeran (Kerala), Shrimati Jebi Mather Hisham (Kerala), Shri A.A. Rahim (Kerala) and Dr. John Brittas (Kerala).

[THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA) *in the Chair.*]

Request to increase the frequency of 16861/62 Puducherry-Kanyakumari Weekly Express to a daily service

SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I rise today to draw the attention of the House to an important issue concerning Pudukottai Railway Station located in Tamil Nadu. It has achieved remarkable revenue of Rs. 5.21 crores in the last financial year, reflecting its growing importance as a transportation hub for both passengers and freight. Despite this, the station still does not have a stop for many long-distance Northern State trains that bypass Pudukottai, and continue to neglect its strategic position. For instance, the train no. 22535, Rameswaram-Banaras train, which was started in 2010, has been a crucial lifeline for spiritual devotees from the Pudukottai district, offering them a direct connection to "Kasi". Initially, this train had a stop at Pudukottai, but this was later removed during Covid. Train numbers 22613 and 22614 Rameswaram-Ayodhya Cantonment-Rameswaram Weekly have yet to include Pudukottai as a regular halt. Since its inception in 2017, this train has not had a stop at Pudukottai. The absence of a stop at Pudukottai station concerns devotees from the region on pilgrimages. In view of the station's revenue potential and the needs of the local population, I urge the Government to consider providing Pudukottai Railway Station with experimental stoppages for these long-distance trains, especially the aforementioned services. Such a step would not only benefit the people of Pudukottai but also facilitate better connectivity to Northern India, promoting both travel and trade.

I request the Government to look into this matter and ensure that necessary steps are taken to provide these stops at the earliest. Thank you, Sir.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA): The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by hon. Member,