

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Demand to resume train services between Pollachi and Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu.

**SHRI K. SHANMUGA SUNDARAM (POLLACHI):** Sir, train services have resumed in almost all sections in the Southern Railway post the COVID-19 effect. ... (*Interruptions*) But as of now, no trains are running permanently between Pollachi and Coimbatore since March, 2020 till date. ... (*Interruptions*) Thousands of Government employees, private employees, traders, college and school students, and general public were daily using the train services between Pollachi and Coimbatore before the COVID-19 pandemic. ... (*Interruptions*) So, we would kindly request the Railways to immediately restart the train services like Pollachi-Coimbatore-Pollachi passenger trains - two trips daily and Coimbatore-Palani-Coimbatore passenger trains - two trips daily, which were operational till March 2020 in the Pollachi-Podanur Section. ... (*Interruptions*)

We would also request the Railways to resume train service to Tiruchendur, which was operational -- before the COVID-19 pandemic - - through Pollachi, Udumalaipettai, Palani and Madurai. ... (*Interruptions*) Since Pollachi-Podanur Railway electrification work is completed we would urge the Railways to extend all the Mettupalayam to Coimbatore MEMU trains to Pollachi *via* Kinathukadavu. ... (*Interruptions*) Thank you, Sir. ... (*Interruptions*)

**माननीय सभापति** : आप सब अपने-अपने स्थानों पर जाइए। मैं आपके नेता को बोलने का अवसर दूंगा। प्लीज, आप सब अपने-अपने स्थान और अपनी-अपनी सीट्स पर वापस जाइए। आपके नेता हैं, वह आपका विषय रख सकते हैं, मैं उनको अवसर दूंगा। उनको पीठ से अवसर दिया जाएगा। प्लीज, आप सब अपने-अपने स्थानों पर वापस जाइए।

... (व्यवधान)