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Title: Request to construct a rail overbridge to avoid the long hour waiting at Railway gate of Konkar Railways.

SHRI FRANCISCO SARDINHA (SOUTH GOA): Hon. Speaker, Sir, I thank you for giving me this opportunity. Goa is a tourist place. Some years back, the total revenue of the State was dependent on mining. Today, it depends on tourism.

Very close to the city of Panaji, which is the Capital, we have got a village called old Goa, where we have the sacred remains of Saint Francis Xavier, who is considered as the Patron Saint of Goa. When people visit this place to pay homage to the relic, hundreds of vehicles are stopped because of a railway gate of Konkan Railways. So much of petrol is consumed by waiting at this railway gate for hours together. Hence, I would request the hon. Minister of Railways to immediately COnStruct a rail overbridge so that people connected to the two or three talukas don't have to wait and spend hours at this railway gate.