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Title: Need to set up a rail coach factory at Kanjicode, Kerala -laid.

SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN (PALAKKAD): A coach factory was sanctioned for Kerala at KanjiKode in Palakkad in the 2008-09 railway budget. The foundation stone was laid by the then Hon'ble Minister for Railways in 2012. Then Kerala Government acquired 439 acres land for it, and later, a compound wall was built around the acquired land. Thereafter, nothing has moved beyond that. However, production has commenced in coach factories which were sanctioned or announced later on. This is a total discrimination to the people of Kerala, who were expecting much from this project in the form of employment to the youths of the State and other economic activities and, therefore, I urge upon the Government to set up the Coach Factory at Kanjikode at the earliest.