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Title: Regarding construction of railway line projects from Tindivanam to Nagari and Tindivanam to Thiruvannamalai in Tamil Nadu-laid

DR. M.K. VISHNU PRASAD (ARANI): About 10 years back, two railway line projects, one relating to construction of railway line BG from Tindivanam to Nagari and the second one from Tindivanam to Thiruvannamalai had been sanctioned. Unfortunately, due to step-motherly treatment, adequate funds were not provided to these projects and the work is going at snail's pace. The delay in implementing has drastically increased the project cost from Rs.450 crore to Rs.600 crore.

All the formalities like land acquisition and detailed project reports are complete. The rail line construction is also going on and only a small portion of it is pending. However, Tindivanam to Thiruvannamalai, which is hardly 68 kms in length is still pending.

If these rail line projects are completed, the people in and around the area would be highly benefited leading to economic activities in our region.

Therefore, I urge upon the Government through this august House to expedite the construction of these two rail line projects by allocating sufficient funds in the present Budget.