Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding improving train journey between Balurghat and Siliguri Junction -laid.

DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR (BALURGHAT): There is only one Train that runs from my constituency Balurghat to Siliguri. Though the Train runs daily, it gets frequently cancelled for weeks and even more leading to completely paralysing the normal life of people of my constituency.

I, therefore, urge the Minister of Railways to take steps in this regard.

The train carries patients for advanced treatment to Siliguri but does not have a sleeper coach or Air conditioning facility. As you know travelling in such a condition for about 300 kilometres is painful for the patients as well as the attendants. I request the Minister of Railways to attach few sleeper coaches for the smooth travel of patients of my area.

The train never reaches on time. It needs to be improved. After the train detours via Thakurganj, it gets further delayed.

I urge the Minister of Railways to take note of the worsening condition of the rail journey between Balurghat and Siliguri Junction and take urgent necessary measures to improve the situation.