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Title: Need to provide stoppage of Antyodaya Express and Rameshwaram - Bhubaneswar Express at Chidambaram railway station.

SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI (CHIDAMBARAM): The newly introduced Tambaram — Tirunelveli Antyodaya express (16191/16192) and the Rameshwaram — Bhubaneswar weekly Express do not have a stoppage at Chidambaram. It is really unfortunate that services of these two important train are being denied to the people of Chidambaram.

Chidambaram is a Municipal town having world famous Nataraja Temple known for its architecture. The mangroves at Pichavaram, an important natural wetland, is barely few kilometers from Chidambaram. The Annamalai University which is one of the oldest Universities in the country is also located at Chidambaram. Besides there are lots of Petrochemical companies in the SIPCOT area in between Chidambaram and Cuddalore.

Therefore Chidambaram assumes importance and there is an urgent need for the stoppage of the Antyodaya Express (16191/16192) and Rameshwaram — Bhubaneswar Express (18495/18496) at Chidambaram railway station.

Hence I urge the Government to take immediate steps to provide stoppage for Antyodaya Express (16191/16192) and Rameshwaram - Bhubaneswar Express (18495/18496) at Chidambaram railway station.