

Regarding issues pertaining to Rail services in Tamil Nadu

SHRI S. R. PARTHIBAN (SALEM): In Salem District, more than 25,000 people are engaged in textile industry in Kakkapalayam, Elampillai and Vembadithalam area. More than 50,000 heavy vehicles pass through the railway subway at Vembadithalam area every day. As the bridge is a one-way road, there is a risk of traffic jams and accidents. This causes traffic jams in this area for several hours. I request the Railway Ministry, through you, to take immediate action to construct a railway overhead bridge or convert the existing subway into double track in this area.

On the Salem - Virudhachalam rail route, trains are always getting late due to the single track. The Salem - Virudhachalam route should be converted into a two-lane. Also, there should be a day time express train on the Salem-Virudhachalam route to Chennai.

Additionally, the daily running Yesvantpur-Kannur (16527) and Kannur-Yesvantur (16528) superfast express trains have become a lifeline for many residents of Omalur. However, the absence of a stop at Omalur station to travel to Salem is causing inconvenience.

Hence, I request the Railway Ministry, through you, to consider providing a stop for these trains in both directions at Omalur station.