

Need to provide better railway facilities at Pollachi Railway Station, Tamil Nadu- laid

SHRI ESWARASAMY K. (POLLACHI): The 100-year-old Pollachi railway junction, after a long struggle, has been converted into a broad-gauge railway line, with Coimbatore-Pollachi-Palakkad, Dindigul-Palani-Pollachi sections, and currently only a few trains are operating at the above junctions. Furthermore, Pollachi junction, which was considered a very important and historic railway station since the British era, is currently the terminal station of Salem, Madurai and Palakkad divisions without any importance.

This situation should be changed and converted into a railway station with all modern facilities, including a service station for maintaining train coaches, and an important railway station connecting the southern part of Tamil Nadu and the Konkan Railway operating in the western part. Pollachi should have daily passenger trains to important areas like Chennai, Thiruvananthapuram, and Rameswaram, and the Cheran Express train should be extended to Pollachi. Pollachi railway station should be connected to Salem or Madurai division. The closed booking counter should be opened. And the Vadukpalayam railway gate should be completely closed and after construction of the Foot over Bridge, it would be easier to cross the gate. Also, to improve freight traffic to Kochi, Thoothukudi, Chennai and the northern states. I request the Union Government to take steps.