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LOK SABHA**

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STOPPAGE AT SIRKAZHI
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of trains halting at Sirkazhi in Tamil Nadu after the recent renovation of the railway station there;
- (b) the additional trains likely to stop at the said station and the time period within which these stoppages would be provided;
- (c) whether computerised reservation facility is proposed to be made available at this important pilgrimage centre; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): At present, the following trains stop at Sirkazhi:

1. 16175/16176 Chennai Egmore-Nagore Express (daily)
2. 16853/16854 Chennai Egmore-Tiruchchirappalli Express (daily)
3. 16701/16702 Chennai Egmore-Rameswaram Express (daily)
4. 14259/14260 Varanasi-Rameswaram Express (weekly)
5. 18495/18496 Bhubaneswar-Rameswaram Express (weekly)
6. 16735/16736 Chennai Egmore-Tiruchendur Express (weekly)
7. 16779/16780 Madurai-Tirupati Express (bi-weekly)
8. 56873/56874 Villupuram-Mayiladuturai Passenger (daily)
9. 56877/56878 Villupuram-Mayiladuturai Passenger (daily)

These services are considered adequate for the present level of traffic offering at this station. Stoppage of additional trains at Sirkazhi is not feasible at present.

(c) & (d): Computerised Unreserved Ticketing System-cum-Passenger Reservation System (PRS-cum-UTS) is already available at Sirkazhi Station. Passengers seeking reservation can avail this facility from there.