

**Title: Need to expedite construction of 'Bulb-Line' Railway Station at Shoranur in Kerala- Laid.**

**SHRI S. AJAYA KUMAR (OTTAPALAM) :** Shoranur is an important place in the Rail Map of South India connecting the Malabar region with Southern Kerala. A Triangular Railway Station at Shoranur was a long-standing demand of the people of Kerala. After continued agitation and making many representations, the people were successful in getting some assurances from the authorities. The former Minister of State for Railways as well as a team of officials visited the area. The Department had conducted feasibility survey of the project and came up with an alternative proposals – "Bulb-Line" – in place of Triangular Railway Station. Subsequently, this project was included in the 2001-2002 Railway Budget as a Budget proposal. But, in the 2002-2003 Budget, there is no mention about the project.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to take concrete steps so that the promised Bulb-Line is constructed at Shoranur at the earliest.