Title: Need to create a Railway Zone in Kerala with its headquarters at - Trivandrum-Laid.

SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH (ADOOR) : Recently, Government has created several new railway zones. But no such zone has been created in Kerala. Kerala is commercially important and a revenue earner for railways. Important railway projects are still pending completion. Some of the projects are yet to take off. In southern India, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka each has a separate zone. Kerala is fast becoming an important tourist centre in the country and it tops in the number of arrivals from foreign countries. Considering its strategic importance and location, creation of a railway zone in Kerala is a must and urgent. I request the Government to take necessary action in this regard urgently with Trivandrum as its headquarters.