

Title: Need to accord clearance to the proposal of Government of Tamil Nadu for construction of rail over-bridges at Stanley Hospital crossing and at Villivakkam crossing - Laid.

SHRI C. KUPPUSAMI (MADRAS NORTH) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, in my Constituency of North Chennai, near Stanley Hospital, there is a railway level crossing which creates a lot of inconvenience to the public, since most of the time, it is kept closed. On one side, Government Stanley Hospital is located and on the other side of the track, RSR Maternity Hospital is located. Patients who come for delivery are also made to wait for hours together at the level crossing. Due to this, thousands of people are suffering daily.

Similarly, at Villivakkam which also falls in my constituency, is a busy area. Traffic is held up for a long time at the level crossing. I have raised this issue in the Railway Budget speech also. The State Government have also prioritised for construction of two Rail Over Bridge at the above two places.

I would, therefore, urge upon the Hon. Railway Minister to please sanction construction of Rail Over Bridge at Stanley Hospital crossing and at Villivakkam crossing since the railway authorities have already surveyed the traffic potential.