Title: Need to increase the frequency of trains between Barasat and Hasnabad section in Eastern Railways.

SHRI AJOY CHAKRABORTY (BASIRHAT): The Barasat-Hasnabad section of the Eastern Railway is a very important one. Being laid in the border area adjoining with Bangladesh, it has assumed a special position. On the one hand it serves as gateway to Sundarbans area of West Bengal, on the other hand it is being used by a large number of people who cross the Indo-Bangladesh border through Ghojadanga check post which falls just ahead of this section.

Besides, a major portion of the vegetables produced in this part, along with the produce of the Sundarbans area, go to Kolkata via this section.

But, due to very low frequency of local trains that are available in this section, the daily commuters which include large number of office goers, students and vegetable vendors suffers a lot.

Therefore, in view of the above, I would like to draw the kind attention of the Hon'ble Railway Minister to take positive steps so that the frequency of local trains in this section are increased by at least one pair in the morning and one pair in the evening.