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Title: Need to re-open the railway station at Kavalkinaru in Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S.S. RAMASUBBU (TIRUNELVELI): Mr. Chairman, it is a very important problem relating to my constituency. Our senior hon. Railway Minister is here. I request for a halting station at Kavalkinaru situated between Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari railway line. It is a very important and prominent place. ISRO and Kudamkulam projects are situated around this area. More than one lakh people are in that area. It has a lot of potential. It is giving a lot of revenue to the Railways also. In that area our people are expecting a halting station. Already there was a station in that place when there was meter gauge line. Now the meter gauge line has been converted to broad gauge line. After that, only two stations have been provided between Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari. But, Kavalkinaru is a very important station because in that area not only agriculturists but also business people are there as there are a number of industries situated there. Besides, so many colleges are also situated in that area. That is why it is essential to have a halting station at Kavalkinaru.

The hon. Minister knows very well about this area. I request the hon. Minister to establish a halting station at Kavalkinaru immediately.