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Title : Need to sanction adequate funds for Jolarpet-Tirupathur-Kandili-Barugur-Orappam-Krishnagiri-Sulagiri-Hosur railway line project in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI E.G. SUGAVANAM (KRISHNAGIRI): The people of my Krishnagiri District are deprived of rail connectivity with the mainstream rail network. The rail link between Jolarpet and Hosur remains a distant dream. Keeping this in mind, since 2004, I have been demanding for this new railway line and also raised the matter time and again in Lok Sabha and other fora. Considering the importance, it was decided to conduct a resurvey for this new railway line and I was assured that this project would be taken up immediately. The estimated cost of Jolarpet – Tirupathur – Kandili – Barugur – Orappam – Krishnagiri – Sulagiri- Hosur railway line during February 2010 was Rs. 687.92 crore.

The proposed railway line between Jolarpet and Hosur will pave the way for further improvement of industrial growth in Hosur and its surrounding areas. This line will connect both Tamil Nadu and Karnataka States. Presently, majority of the products meant for exports are mainly airlifted or sent through road only. Absence of a rail link in this route has been an impediment to the district's industrial growth.

I shall, therefore, request the Hon'ble Railway Minister to kindly sanction adequate funds for Jolarpet – Tirupathur – Kandili – Barugur – Orappam – Krishnagiri – Sulagiri - Hosur New Rail Link and expedite the project without any further delay.