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Title: Need to develop Garghjaipur railway station in Adra division of South Eastern Railways as a full fledged railway station.

SHRI NARAHARI MAHATO (PURULIA): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak in 'Zero Hour'.

I want to bring to your kind notice that there is a halt station named Garhjyapur in my constituency, Purulia, West Bengal, which falls under Adra Division of South-Eastern Railway. Garhjyapur is a Block Headquarters also. There are many important institutions such as police station, higher secondary school for boys and higher second school for girls and a college. Besides this, the State Government block level offices are also situated here. Lakhs of people, who are inhabitants of more than 50 villages, use Garhjyapur railway halt station daily for up and down journeys.

In the past, there was a narrow gauge railway line before Independence. Then, this station was a full-fledged station. But when the narrow gauge line was converted to broad gauge line, it was not upgraded as a full-fledged station. Instead, it was degraded to a halt station. Therefore, I request the Government, through you, to declare Garhjyapur Railway halt-station as a full-fledged station, and it should also be made a model station.