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Tilte: Need to provide stoppage to Kamban Express at Papanasam in Tamil Nadu--laid.

SHRI O.S. MANIAN (MAYILADUTHURAI): Papanasam is one of the major towns in the State of Tamil Nadu, which is famous for several holy places. It is the major railway station between Thanjavur and Kumbakonam. The Kamban Express from Chennai-Egmore-Nagore and Nagore-Chennai-Egmore passes through Aduthurai and Papanasam, however, there is no stoppage of this train at Papanasam, from where a lot of people travel to Chennai and Nagore everyday for various purposes, including employment.

As of now, the passengers have to go to Kumbakonam, which is 15 kilometers away from Papanasam to board this train for their onward journey to Chennai and Nagore which causes a lot of inconvenience and hardship to the passengers. It is the long pending demand of the people of this area that this train should stop at Papanasam. Besides, they also demand that the scheduled departure of this train from Chennai, which is now at 2315 hours, should be preponed to 2200 hours for the convenience of the passengers traveling by this train.

I, therefore, request the Hon'ble Minister of Railways to look into the matter and consider the above demands of the people of my constituency sympathetically.