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Title: Need to increase the frequency of passenger trains with AC coaches from Cuttack and Bhubaneswar to Paradip in Odisha.

SHRI BIBHU PRASAD TARAI (JAGATSINGHPUR): Paradip, one of the major sea ports of India, is situated in my Parliamentary Constituency, Jagatsinghpur, Odisha. Since its inception in 1962, the adjacent area of Paradip Port has grown as a business and industrial hub in eastern coast of India. Besides being a major port, Paradip due to its geographical location, has become an attractive site for investment with already established Paradip Phosphates Limited, IFFCO, terminals of IOCL, BPCL and HPCL, Cargil Edible Oil plant, Carbon Company etc. The construction works of Oil Refinery project and Essar Steel Plant project with an amount of Rs. 30000 crore and more than Rs. 15000 crore respectively are also going on, where 25 thousand workers are working. Several upcoming projects like thermal power plants and petrochemical complex etc. have also been proposed to be established in future. Because of its exposure to national and international investment, a massive influx of skilled as well as unskilled migrant workers has taken place in recent times. Most of the workers, due to lack of accommodation facility in Paradip, prefer to commute from far off places like Cuttack, Bhubaneswar, Jajpur etc. by train keeping in view their easy accessibility to their respective industrial set ups. I would like to draw the attention of Hon'ble Minister of Railways, that as Paradip has been connected with Cuttack and Bhubaneswar through railway line and most of the people commute by train, the frequency of train services is not adequate to address the problems of workers working in various industrial establishments of Paradip. Hence, I request the Hon'ble Minister to take steps to run more number of passenger trains having AC coaches starting from Cuttack and Bhubaneswar in order to facilitate the railway commuters to reach in their working place.