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Title: Need to augment the railway services in Thanjavur Parliamentary Constituency, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI K. PARASURAMAN (THANJAVUR): Thanjavur-Pattukottai (48 KM) BG Railway line project has already been approved and survey also conducted. However, this project is pending for the last 60 years. Estimate sanction of Rs. 20 crore should be allocated. If this project is sanctioned 15 lakh people will be benefited. Thanjavur-Ariyalur Project should be declared and completed immediately. Thanjavur-Ariyalur railway line (45 km), if once completed, will benefit about 20 lakh people. Though the new line between Pattukottai-Mannargudi has been announced, no funds have been released. I demand that funds should be released immediately. Thanjavur-Trichy double line is very essential for connecting two places. In 2016, Mahamaham, a very great Hindu religious function is going to take place in Kumbakonam. So, there is a need to complete this project before Mahamaham Festival. Karaikudi-Thiruvavur railway line which is about 187 km, forms part of Peravurani-Pattukottai gauge conversion. This work needs expeditious execution. Also, 100 years old Thanjavur City Railway Station modernization needs to be completed at the earliest. Hence, I request the Hon'ble Railway Minister to Kindly speed up the above work without any further delay.