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Title: Regarding upgradation and expansion of Thoothukudi Railway station in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE (THOOTHUKUDI): Thoothukudi is an important port city in the country and is the industrial hub of south Tamil Nadu. Thoothukudi being a very active port city generates lots of revenue for Railways through freight services, yet the Rail Passenger Services are inadequate to meet the needs of the people of my Thoothukudi constituency.

The Railway station at Thoothukudi is having shortcomings with respect to general amenities and other conveniences. The Railway platforms are not wide enough to cater to the needs of the trains which stop at the present Station. There is an urgent need to shift the Railway Station from the current location to Milavittan Railway station located few kilometers away from the present station. This will certainly provide the Railway station with enough space and extended platforms so that people can alight and use without any trouble. Further, the upgradation and expansion of the railway station is possible only if the station is shifted to Milavittan.

Therefore, I urge the Union Government to take appropriate action to shift the Railway Station from the present location to Milavittan.