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Title: Need to provide necessary funds for construction of Railway Over Bridge across N.H. No. 136 near Ariyalur Railway Station in Tamil Nadu and provide stoppage of Pothigai Express, Kanyakumari Express and other important trains at Ariyalur Railway Station.

SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI (CHIDAMBARAM): Sir, a Railway-Over-Bridge (ROB) across the National Highway No. 136 at Ariyalur Railway Station is a long pending demand of people of my constituency. Ariyalur town connected by NH-136 is the District Headquarters of Ariyalur District of Tamil Nadu. The NH-136 connecting Perambalur and Thanjavur is more than 100 years old. People of Ariyalur, Perambalur, Thanjavur and Cuddalore districts continue to use this National Highway. It is learnt that a survey has already been conducted for the said Railway-Over-Bridge. However, necessary financial allocation for the project is yet to be done. It may be stated here that at present two trains namely, Pothigai Express (12661) and Kanyakumari Express (12633), do not have stoppage at Ariyalur Railway Station. All other trains from Chennai to southern Tamil Nadu through Ariyalur have stoppage at the Railway Station. People of Ariyalur have been demanding that all trains including Pothigai Express and Kanyakumari Express should have stoppage at Ariyalur Railway Station.

I, therefore urge through this august House for immediate steps for allocation and release of necessary funds for Railway-Over-Bridge at Ariyalur Railway Station across NH-136. I also urge that Pothigai Express (12661), Kanyakaumari Express (12633) and all the trains running through Ariyalur should have a stoppage at the Ariyalur Railway Station.