## Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Need to extend local train services from Kasara to Nashik in Maharashtra

SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE (NASHIK): Hon. Speaker, I would like to raise a very important issue. It is with regard to extending the railway local services of the Central Railways from Kasara to Nashik.

Before also, the Central Railway Mumbai Suburban Section has been extended up to Kasara on the north-east side and up to Karjat on the south side. There was an extension afterwards up to Pune. Now, Lonawala and Pune local services are making the commuting easier for the passengers.

Madam, Nashik and Pune are at about the same distance from Mumbai. But till now, the North East side remains undeveloped due to non-extension after Kasara. The reason given is the Ghat section. A retired railway expert, Shri W.M. Sangale has suggested to the Railway Board as to how to run the local railway service in Ghat Section without bankers. Advanced technologies are also coming. Nashik is a rapidly developing city. There is also a tremendous increase in passengers travelling from Nashik to Mumbai.

Therefore, I would like to request the Railway Ministry through you, Madam Speaker, to work out and resolve the Ghat Section issue by using advanced technology and suggestions given by the railway expert Shri Sangale. It is also requested to extend the local railway service from Kasara to Nashik, so that commuting to Mumbai becomes easier for the passengers from Nashik. This will develop faster and will generate more employment opportunities.

HON. SPEAKER: Shri Shrirang Appa Barne, Shri Rahul Shewale, Dr. Shrikant Eknath Shinde, Shri Adhalrao Patil Shivajirao, Shrimati Bhavana Pundalikrao Gawali and Shri Bhairon Prasad Mishra are permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri Hemant Tukaram Godse.