Sixteenth Loksabha

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Ttile: Regarding various railway related issues in Arakkonam Parliamentary Constituency of Tamil Nadu - Laid.

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SHRI G. HARI (ARAKKONAM): On behalf of the people of Arakkonam Constituency I wish to bring the notice of the Union Government about the very important and essential railway demands pending for a long time viz, to provide a stoppage for the Brindavan Express (Train Nos 12639/12640) at Sholinghur Railway station, to extend Arakkonam-Velachery EMU fast train (Train No. 43936) up to Tiruttani Station, to provide a stoppage for the Trivandrum Mail (Train No 12624) at Arakkonam Junction and the modernization of major Railway Stations. I have requested the Government several times to fulfill these essential railway needs but none of them got fulfilled so far.

Sholinghur is an important pilgrimage centre and it is essential to provide a stoppage for Brindavan Express Train Nos, 12639 - 12640 at Sholinghur Station. There is an urgent need for extending the Arakkonam – Velachery EMU fast train (Train No. 43936) up to Tiruttani for the benefit of train passengers in this area. The Trivandrum Mail (Train No. 12624) towards Chennai is not having a stoppage at Arakkonam. The passengers, particularly elderly people and women with children are suffering a lot. To avoid this inconvenience it is essential to provide stoppage for Trivandrum Mail at Arakkonam Junction.

Arakkonm and Katpadi are important Railway Junctions need to be upgraded and modernized with the state of art technology. Itchiputhur and Marudalam Railway stations are to be upgraded and provided with all amenities besides the extension of Platforms.

I urge the Government to consider the genuine demands and take necessary steps to fulfil the railway demands of the people of Arakkonam Constituency at the earliest.