

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding conversion of Ernakulam Marshalling Yard into an integrated coaching terminal-laid.

SHRI HIBI EDEN (ERNAKULAM): The Ernakulam train stations – Ernakulam Town and Ernakulam Junction (Jn) are facing a massive congestion with its inability to cater to the influx of trains waiting to be docked at the platforms. The want of an Integrated Coaching Terminal is immensely felt.

A feasibility study ordered in January 2021, carried out by Kerala Rail Development Corporation to convert Ernakulam Marshalling Yard into an integrated coaching terminal was completed but no further actions materialised.

The development of the marshalling yard promises great opportunities and benefits for both the citizens and the operators. As per estimates, this land totalling 110 acres will fetch a revenue of Rs 1,654 cr of which only Rs 320cr will be required for the development of railway station having 4 new platforms and 2 parcel lines as per the feasibility study.

A study of the matter is urgently required, along with follow up actions.

