

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Request to start a passenger train service or extend Valsad-Viramgam to Patdi Taluka for the benefit of visitors to Patdi Taluka.

**DR. (Prof.) MAHENDRA MUNJAPARA (SURENDRANAGAR):**

Sir, in Patdi Taluka of my parliamentary constituency, there is no passenger train service for more than 20 years now. The Indian Wild Ass Sanctuary is situated in Patdi Taluka which attracts national and international tourists. There are three big pilgrim places there, namely, Shakti Mataji Mandir, Dhama, Swami Narayan Temple, Varnidham and Ramapir Temple, Piplidham. Many people throughout the year visit these holy places and many workers, students and other labourers regularly keep moving there up and down from nearby places. So, I would request the hon. Minister for Railways to kindly start new passenger trains or extend Valsad-Viramgam train to Patdi Station for the benefit of visitors to Patdi Taluka.

**माननीय अध्यक्ष:** डॉ. किरीट पी. सोलंकी को डॉ. महन्द्रभाई मुंजपरा राय द्वारा उठाए गए विषय के साथ संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है ।