Regarding Vande Bharat Express connectivity

SHRI C. N. ANNADURAI (TIRUVANNAMALAI): Thank you, Sir, for giving me this opportunity to draw the attention of the hon. Railway Minister towards the world famous Arunachaleshwar Shiva Temple in my constituency, Tiruvannamalai. (Interruptions)

Sir, it attracts lakhs of pilgrims for darshan and parikrama of the Holy Hill. There is an urgent need of a direct Vande Bharat Express train connectivity between Chennai and Tiruvannamalai facilitating the pilgrims and tourists to reach the internationally renowned religious place.

Moreover, the Chennai-Jolarpettai rail station attracts a huge number of passengers. Jolarpettai Junction opens rail connectivity to various parts of Southern India.

I request the hon. Railway Minister to introduce Chennai-Tiruvannamalai Vande Bharat Express train and Chennai-Jolarpettai Vande Metro trains.

Thank you, Sir.

13.00 hrs