

## **Need for EMU/MEMU/local train services between Nashik Road and CSMT Mumbai in Maharashtra- Laid**

**SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE (NASHIK):** I would like to draw the attention of the Government to the continued negligence of the long-pending demand for starting suburban EMU/MEMU/Local train services between Nashik Road and CSMT Mumbai. Despite repeated public assurances and technical studies indicating feasibility from CSMT up to Nashik Road via Kasara Ghat. Central Railway itself has explored EMU operations on the MumbaiNashik corridor, yet no clear implementation roadmap has been placed before Nashik's citizens. Due to the absence of affordable suburban services, thousands of students, small traders and daily wage earners are forced to depend on limited long route trains or costly and time-consuming road travel. Local train services are already operating between CSMT and Kasara stations, and only the stretch between Nashik Road and Kasara remains to be connected. At the same time, large investments are being sanctioned for multi-tracking and AC suburban rakes in other Mumbai corridors, while this critical hinterland link remains ignored. Therefore, the Ministry of Railways should urgently finalise a time-bound plan for EMU/MEMU/Local suburban services between Nashik Road and CSMT, resolve ghat-section operational issues through appropriate technology, and publish a firm commissioning timeline without further delay.