

**Regarding need to undertake various railway related issues/projects concerning Karur Parliamentary Constituency in Tamil Nadu-laid**

**SUSHRI S. JOTHIMANI (KARUR):** I wish to draw the attention of the Hon. Minister of Railways to the urgent transportation needs of my Parliamentary Constituency, Karur. Firstly, I request immediate stoppages for the Sengottai-Mayiladuturai Express at Ayyalur, the Palani Express at Palayam. At Manaparai, stoppages are requested for the Tirupati-Rameswaram, Chennai-Kollam SF, Tiruchendur-Chennai, and Madurai-Okha trains. Crucially, I urge the Ministry to reopen Mandayur Railway Station in the Viralimalai assembly. This station is vital for nearly 5,000 students and professionals from Anna University, Bharathidasan University, IIM, and nearby IT hubs. Furthermore, there is a long-standing demand for a Day Train from Karur to Chennai and the introduction of a Vande Bharat service on the Karur-Chennai route. I also request the addition of First and Second AC coaches to the Mangalore-Chennai Express (via Karur) to improve passenger comfort. These measures will significantly boost regional connectivity and support the student community. I urge the Government to take prompt action on these requests.