

Re: Need to look into the problems of commuters of suburban trains of Mumbai

SHRI KIRIT SOMAIYA (MUMBAI NORTH EAST): Sir, the number of commuters travelling daily in suburban trains of Mumbai has now gone up to 59 lakh. Almost 20 lakh have increased in the last ten years. But the number of trains has not been increased in that ratio. The passengers are facing a lot of hardships. The Railway Authority had declared to increase coaches and trains but nothing appears to have been done. The promise to convert all nine-coach trains into twelve-coach trains has not been implemented. There is an urgent need to provide funds and convert all nine-coach trains into twelve-coach trains. An action programme for conversion is necessary. The Government must declare time-bound programme.

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