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Title : Need to open a railway booking centre at Bodinayakanur, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI J.M. AARON RASHID (PERIYAKULAM): Bodinayakanur is an important international auction centre for spices including Cardamom in my Periyakulam Parliamentary constituency. The small traders and growers of spices are facing lot of difficulties in transporting their goods from this Centre. When these people send their goods through Coimbatore route to other places they are required to incur heavy lorry charges and other octroi duties including Taxes. To avoid such heavy expenses in transportation of their goods, these people have been demanding for opening of a local Railway Booking Centre at Bodinayakanur for booking their goods. In this connection I have already taken up the matter with the Hon'ble Minister for Railways, but the Railways have not taken any action so far for opening a Booking Centre at Bondinayakanur. Keeping in view the genuine difficulties faced by the growers and traders on this account.

I request the Railway Minister to order for opening of Centre there immediately. It will not only remove their just and genuine difficulties but would also prove to be a profitable adventure for the Railways.