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Title: Need to introduce an intercity express between Palakkad and Kozhikode in Kerala.

SHRI M.B. RAJESH (PALAKKAD): The Malabar area in Kerala has been experiencing backwardness and neglect in Railway Development for a long time. In order to address this issue more train services should be introduced in this area. There is a long pending demand for an intercity service between Palakkad and Kozhikode - two important destinations in Malabar. This new intercity service can be operated without any additional financial burden to Railway. The rakes of Amritha Express can be used for this new service. Presently the Amritha Express is lying idle in the entire day time after its arrival from Trivandrum. If the rakes of Amritha Express is used to operate a new intercity service between Palakkad and Kozhikode it will be useful for thousands of passengers. Hence, I urge upon the Government to immediately introduce an intercity service between Palakkad and Kozhikode.