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Title: Need to provide stoppages of trains running between Madurai and Kanyakumari Section at Nanguneri, Valliyur and Panagudi railway stations in Tirunelveli Parliamentary Constituency, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S.S. RAMASUBBU (TIRUNELVELI): Nanguneri in Tirunelveli District is a place where Special Economic Zone is being set up. Near Nanguneri at Moondradaippu, a Bird Sanctuary is located. It attracts a large number of tourists from various places.

Valliyur in Tirunelveli district is fully agriculture oriented. Huge number of people are engaged in farming and their main cultivation is paddy, sugarcane, banana plantation, vegetables, etc. Besides, they are also engaged in poultry farming. The agricultural and poultry products produced by them are exported to various parts of the country which fetches huge revenue to the government.

Panagudi is the biggest town situated in my Tirunelveli Lok Sabha Constituency, Tamil Nadu. It is famous for its Windmills, Tiles Factory, Brick Industries and farming. In and around Panagudi, more than 50 Engineering, Medical, Pharmaceutical and other colleges are functioning. Its population is more than 80,000 and floating population is also very high.

The people residing at the above places are visiting Madurai, Tirunelveli, Kanyakumari and other places quite often. Moreover, large number of people from various parts of the State are visiting all the above three places throughout the year. Due to non-stoppage of many trains at the above places, the passengers are facing lot of difficulties and since long they are demanding the same.

Keeping in view of the above, I humbly urge upon the Hon'ble Minister of Railways to kindly provide stoppage of all Express trains running between Madurai-Kanyakumari Section at Nanguneri, Valliyar and Panagudi railway stations and provide adequate berth and seat quota.