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Title: Need to undertake expansion of Golden rock Railway Workshop in Tiruchirappalli and set up a new Coach Manufacturing Factory at Golden Rock, Tamil Nadu.

SHRI P. KUMAR (TIRUCHIRAPPALLI): Golden Rock Railway workshop and 3200 staff quarters of Railways are situated in 225 acres of land in Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu. The Golden Rock workshop is one of the primary railway workshops in India which was started in the year 1918. This famous workshop is situated in the heart of Tiruchirappalli District in Tamil Nadu. Now, the Golden Rock Railway Workshop is involved in Wagon production. Periodical overhauling of wagons, diesel locomotives and steam locomotives are done here. There is huge land available for the expansion of the Railway Workshop. For the expansion of the Railway workshop nearly 70 percent of the Employees staff quarters were demolished but the said land is still vacant. By the expansion of Golden Rock Workshop as Coach manufacturing Unit, lot of employment opportunities will be generated and the Indian Railways will also get sufficient new and modern coaches to meet the present needs of Railways. Now there is only one Coach Factory at Perambur in Tamil Nadu. While expanding the activities in Golden Rock Workshop, the Railways can start a Coach Manufacturing unit equivalent to Integral Coach Factory (ICF) at Perambur, Chennai.

I request that action may be taken to undertake expansion of Golden Rock Railway Workshop in Tiruchirappalli and set up a new Coach Manufacturing Factory at Golden Rock, Tamil Nadu at the earliest.