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Title: Need to release adequate funds for development of infrastructure facilities for Salem Railway Divisional Office in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI R. THAMARAISELVAN (DHARMAPURI): I would like to bring to the kind notice of the Government that the Salem Division under the Southern Railway was borne about some four years back with much fanfare. The people cherished that their decades long pending demand has been fulfilled and that they will see a growth of railway activities in that area. This Division was carved out of Palakkad Division. The demand and the creation of Salem Division were not made with political objective and it was truly in the spirit of development of railways under this division. But the fact now is that the Salem Division does not have its own office building and it is functioning without any basic infrastructure facilities. The reason being is that no fund has been allocated during all these four years of its existence. Non-allocation of fund has defeated the very purpose and object of creating this Division at Salem. Therefore, I urge upon the Government to immediately release adequate funds for the development of infrastructure facilities at Salem Divisional Office.