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Title: Need to provide stoppage of Chennai-Palani Express at Morappur and Bommidi stations in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI R. THAMARAISELVAN (DHARMAPURI): I would like to bring to the kind notice of the Hon'ble Railway Minister that in Railway Budget for 2013-14, many new trains were announced and one amongst them was Chennai-Palani Express ( Daily) via Jolarpettai, Salem, Karu and Namakkal.

One of the reasons for announcing this train for Palani from Chennai may be because of heavy rush of commuters bound for Palani from different parts of the State and from other States.

There is also heavy rush of pilgrims from Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri and Tiruvannamalai districts to Palani. Therefore, the proposed train will be more beneficial for the pilgrims from these three districts, if stop is provided for the train at Morappur and Bommidi Stations.

In view of the above, I urge upon the Hon'ble Railway Minister to provide stoppage of the Chennai-Palani train at Morappur and Bommidi Stations.