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Title: Need to start a new Railway line from Tiruppathur via Krishnagiri to Hosur.

SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR (KRISHNAGIRI): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Since 1997 the Railway Board has been conducting surveys for railway route from Jolarpettai to Hosur via Krishnagiri, but no result has come out.

In the year 1997 a survey was conducted and its report was submitted to Railway Board during the month of August 2001 with an anticipated cost of Rs.226.42 crore for a length of 104.20 kilometre. Subsequently, during the year 2004-05, the Board updated the survey from Jolarpettai to Hosur via Krishnagiri with a link from Krishnagiri to Dharmapuri with a cost of Rs.410.71 crore for a length of 159.20 kilometre. Further, during the year 2008, they updated the survey with the take off point from Tiruppattur to Hosur for a length of 101 km. with a cost of Rs.558.24 crore.

Madam, they again updated the survey from Jolarpettai to Hosur via Krishnagiri and the report was submitted on 31.01.2011 to the Railway Board with a cost of Rs.687.92 crore. Every time the Railway Board has conducted surveys only. But till date no action has been taken on that.

In 2015-16 Budget, an anticipated amount of Rs.6.75 lakh has been sanctioned for engineering cum traffic survey for a new line of 45 kilometre between Tiruppattur and Krishnagiri.

Madam, the survey between Tiruppattur and Krishnagiri is a mere waste of public money if it does not include Hosur (via) Krishnagiri. It has been a long pending dream of Krishnagiri's people to travel in train. So, I urge upon the Railway Minister, through you, Madam, that he may select the route from Tiruppattur via Krishnagiri to Hosur.