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Title: Need to provide stoppage of certain trains at Kondapalli Railway Station in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS (VIJAYAWADA): Kondapalli is a rapidly developing village with a population of nearly 50,000. This area is economically and culturally important. Industries like HIL, HPCL, BPCL, IOCL etc. and power plants like Dr. Narla Tatarao and Lanco operate in and around Kondapalli.

Archeological survey of India is currently restoring the Kondapalli fort. It is a 14th-century fort that has great historical significance and attracts tourists from all over the country.

The village is also famous for handcrafted wooden toys. The industry is being revived using the Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI).

Railway connectivity greatly helps in fast-tracking growth of economy and tourism. I request the government to provide halts at Kondapalli Railway station to the following trains —

1. 17205/17206 — Kakinada - Shirdi express
2. 17213/17214 & 17231/17232— Narasapur - Nagarsol express
3. 18503/18504 — Vishakhapatnam - Shirdi express
4. 17207/17208 — Vijayawada - Shirdi express

I appeal to the Government to issue necessary orders to this effect request.