

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3930  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

**REPRESENTATIONS FOR EXTENSION OF EMUS**

**3930. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether representations have been received by the Railways for extending EMUs from Arakkonam to Katpadi junction and if so, the details thereof;**

**(b) whether in view of large scale demand by commuting people to Vellore, the Railways has any proposal to suitably extend EMUs from Arakkonam to Katpadi, with a 15 minutes frequency;**

**(c) if so, the details in this regard; and**

**(d) if not, the details of alternative EMUs that are available for commuters from Chennai to Katpadi?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) Representations, inter-alia, for extension of train services including EMUs are received at various levels of Railways administration viz. Station, Division level, Zonal level and Railway Board's level, a compendium of which is not maintained.**

**However, these demands are examined and action as found feasible & justified, is taken, subject to traffic demand, operational feasibility and availability of resources.**

**(b) to (d) Presently, one pair of MEMU trains is being operated between Chennai Beach and Vellore Cantt. In addition, 42 pairs of Mail/Express trains are also available for passengers of Chennai-Katpadi sector. However, extension of EMU services presently running between MGR Chennai Central and Arakkonam upto Katpadi is not feasible due to operational & infrastructural constraints.**

**\*\*\*\*\***