

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1744  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2025**

**SHORT-TERMINATION OF EXPRESS TRAIN**

**1744. MS. S JOTHIMANI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Train No. 16160 MAQ–Chennai Express was recently short-terminated at Tambaram instead of its scheduled destination, Chennai Egmore, around 3:00 a.m., causing significant inconvenience to passengers;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken cognizance of the hardships faced by students, women with children and elderly passengers who were left without adequate onward travel options at such an odd hour;**
- (c) the reasons for the short-termination of the train i.e track congestion, maintenance work or other operational constraints;**
- (d) the rationale behind allowing other trains such as the Pearl City Express and Pandian Express to proceed to Chennai Egmore around the same time while halting MAQ–Chennai Express at Tambaram; and**
- (e) whether normal service of Train No. 16160 to Chennai Egmore will be restored and if so, the expected timeline?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (e) To facilitate infrastructure works such as station development, capacity enhancement, development of passenger amenities etc., sometimes trains are required to be diverted/ cancelled /short terminated or truncated.**

**Accordingly, 16159/16160 Chennai Egmore-Mangaluru Central Express is temporarily being operated between Tambaram and Mangaluru Central to facilitate the ongoing station redevelopment work of Chennai Egmore station. However, connecting services are available, in both directions, between Chennai and Tambaram for the passengers availing the services of 16159/16160 Chennai Egmore - Mangaluru Central Express.**

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