

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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YATRI NIWAS IN THE COUNTRY
MOHAN PONNUSWAMY

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Yatri Niwas in the country under Railways and their locations;
- (b) whether a reasonable return has been ensured in each Yatri Niwas;
- (c) if so, details thereof for the last three years;
- (d) the date on which the construction work of Yatri Niwas at Madurai junction for which foundation was laid by the Minister during 1998 would be taken up; and
- (e) the time by which the construction is likely to be completed ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c): Two Yatri Niwases, one at New Delhi and another at Howrah is functioning on Indian Railways and the profit earned in the past three years by both the Yatri Niwases is as under:-

New Delhi	1999-2000	Rs. 35.41 lacs
	2000-2001	Rs. 33.84 lacs
	2001-2002	Rs. 95.46 lacs

Howrah	1999-2000	Rs. 10.92 lacs
	2000-2001	Rs. 9.74 lacs
	2001-2002	Rs. 12.30 lacs

(d) and (e): The construction of Rail Yatri Niwas at Madurai has been suspended. However, Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation will set up Budget Hotels at various locations in the country, including Madurai in Tamil Nadu, subject to availability of land and private participation.