

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2742
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RAKES FOR KARNATAKA
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that due to shortage of rakes export firms of various cereal items in Karnataka are facing problems;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have received requests for providing more rakes in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate railway rakes to meet their demand?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Requests have been received in Karnataka for transportation of cereals to Bangladesh. There is no shortage of Rakes for transportation of export cereals/foodgrains from Karnataka to Bangladesh. However, Bangladesh Railway's acceptance capacity is limited. In view of the high demand for rakes on Indian Railways, loading for all destinations on Bangladesh Railway has to be regulated.