GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4778 ANSWERED ON:24.08.2000 MEMU TRAIN BETWEEN RATLAM AND VADODARA BABUBHAI KHIMABHAI KATARA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether 'MEMU' a daily local passenger train under Western Railway starts from Ratlam to Vadodara has a stoppage at every station and takes 5-6 hours to reach Vadodara;

(b) whether this train continues to stay at Ratlam and Vadodara railway-stations and leaves for the respective stations the next day;

(c) if so, the reasons for not starting this train on the return journey after some time as there are a large number of passengers on this route and they do not get seats in the compartments;

(d) whether no toilets have been provided in this train which ply for 5-6 hours at a stretch;

(e) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(f) the concrete steps taken by the Government to provide toilet facilities in this train?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) No, Sir. There is no direct MEMU train running between Ratlam and Vadodara. However, the following MEMU trains are running on the section :-

1. 717/718 Vadodara-Dahod

- 2. 781/782 Dahod-Ratlam
- 3. 719/720 Vadodara-Godhra
- 4. 721/722 Vadodara-Godhra

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) & (e) No toilets are provided by MEMU services as these are short distance services on heavy density sectors with higher carrying capacity.

(f) There is no such proposal at present.