## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3188
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WATER AND TOILETS FACILITIES IN AC COACHES OF MANGALA AND KRISHNA EXPRESSES
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## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether A.C. Coaches in Mangala Express and Krishna Express are not cleaned on the way and remain without water in toilets;
- (b) whether in spite of complaints in mid-June, AC coaches in Mangala Express remain without water and uncleaned toilets while coming to Delhi; and
- (c) if so, the action proposed against those responsible for the lapse and steps taken to keep A.C. coaches absolutely clean?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): All coaches of long distance trains including the AC coaches of Mangla Express and Krishna Express are carefullycleaned and watered at their base depot during primary maintenance before commencement of outward journey and at the secondary maintenance depot at the other end before commencement of return journey. Also arrangements have been made for enroute watering and cleaning of toilets of these trains at nominated stations enroute, which are:-
- I. For Mangla Express (Ernakulum-Nizamuddin)
- i) Kankanadi on Southern Railway.
- ii)Chiplun & Madgaon on Konkan Railway (only watering).
- iii)lgatpuri and Bhusawal on Central Railway.
- iv) Itarsi on West Central Railway (only watering).
- v)Jhansi to Agra on North Central Railway (one traveling safaiwala is provided).
- II. For Krishna Express(Tirupati Hyderabad) Cleaning and watering is done at Vijayawada.
- (b): No, Sir. One complaint regarding leakage of water in a coach in Mangla Expresshas been received during June` 03. Defect has been rectified.
- (c) : Does not arise. Efforts are being made to keep A.C. coaches clean by wayof cleaning before starting as well as enroute cleaning.