

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2336
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MOBILE CHARGING FACILITY IN TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

referring to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2605 dated December 16, 2004 regarding mobile recharging facilities in trains and state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any progress in regard to provision of charging facility for mobile phones and laptop in trains;
- (b) if so, the progress made in this regard so far along with the names of trains selected for provision of such facility;
- (c) the expenditure incurred/ to be incurred on provision of such facility;
- (d) the time by which such facility is likely to be started; and
- (e) if not, the reasons for delay in introduction of such facility?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): About 450 Air conditioned (AC) coaches have already been provided with such facility. These coaches are attached in Rajdhani, Shatabadi & Mail/Express trains.

(c): Expenditure of approximately Rs. 90 lakh has been incurred. The total expenditure would be about Rs. 13.42 crore for fleet of 14466 coaches.

(d): Integral Coach Factory (ICF) & Rail Coach Factory (RCF) have already put in this facility in new AC coaches. Railways have planned to provide this facility in all Air conditioned coaches in a phased manner and this facility is also planned to be provided in 3 tier sleeper coaches (non AC).

(e): Does not arise.