

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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MEDICAL FACILITIES AT RAILWAY STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal to provide emergency medical facilities to the passengers at major railway stations in various zones;
- (b) if so, the details and the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether any such facility has been provided in any zone coming under the State of Rajasthan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) : As a pilot project, emergency medical facilities at selected nine railway stations over Indian Railways was proposed in the year 2000, whereby licensees were required to engage a doctor at these chemist shops. These nine stations do not include any station falling in the state of Rajasthan. Outcome of this project was not encouraging.

However, first-aid boxes are available at railway stations with Station Managers, Station Masters, Assistant Station Masters and Station Superintendents. Besides this, stretchers and wheel chairs are also available at the major stations.

There is a very well developed system to send information to the Station Managers where there is next scheduled halt of the train. The Station Managers have authority to call the Railway doctor/Government doctor/Private doctor to come to Railway Station and to attend the sick passengers travelling in the train.