

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:877  
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HERITAGE ON WHEELS  
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have started Heritage on Wheels;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to discontinue the Heritage on Wheels train;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken to restore its services and to make it operationally Viable?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. Heritage on Wheels had started its operation in February, 2006.
- (b) This metre gauge Luxury tourist train, operated by the Railways in association with Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation, offered a 3 day/2 night package tour from Jaipur to regions of Bikaner and Shekhawati in Rajasthan.
- (c) The operation of Heritage on Wheels has been discontinued with effect from January, 2009.
- (d) In view of gauge conversion work on its circuit.
- (e) Does not arise in view of reply to part (d) above.