

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAILWAY HOSPITAL JABALPUR
Singh Shri Rakesh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have closed the TB ward in Railway Hospital, Jabalpur under Western Central Railway zone;
- (b) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) whether the Railways propose to re-open the said ward?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) &(b) Yes, Madam. Over the years, the treatment of TB has undergone a significant change. Earlier, patients were treated indoors. Now preferred mode of treatment is outpatient i.e. Directly Observed Treatment (DOT) in accordance with the Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP). The same is being followed over West Central Railway also. However, if any TB patient/s with complication needs admission and treatment, provision has been made to admit and treat him.

(c) No, Madam.