

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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'DOCTOR ON TRAIN' SCHEME

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have since approved the scheme 'Doctor on Train';
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) whether any extra facilities will be provided in the coaches for rendering medical assistance;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the manner in which the passengers will be charged for availing the facilities; and
- (f) the time by which the scheme is likely to be made operational?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes Madam. Railways have started a pilot project to provide doctor on Duronto Trains.
- (b): One General Duty Medical Officer and one para-medical staff with medicine and medical equipments including life saving resuscitation equipments will be deputed on Duronto Trains to begin with on pilot basis. This scheme has been started on Pilot basis for one year.
- (c) & (d): Necessary Medical equipments, whatever feasible, will be provided on trains alongwith a Doctor and a paramedic staff.
- (e): For the present, no charges will be levied on passengers for providing medical services on train.
- (f): Doctors have already been provided on 9 Duronto Trains.