

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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SEPARATE AUTOMOBILE HUBS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal for setting up separate automobile hubs for the transport of vehicles in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. As announced in the Railway Budget 2010-11, to facilitate bulk movement of automobile traffic by rail, it has been decided to set up automobile and ancillary hubs at 10 potential locations in India under the Public Private Partnership mode. These hubs will facilitate bulk movement by rail by providing facilities for storage and other ancillary activities ensuring secondary distribution by road to the hinterland. Out of the 10 automobile hubs proposed to be developed under the Public Private Partnership mode, the first such hub has already been operationalised at Shalimar near Kolkata as a pilot project.