

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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INDEPENDENT REGULATOR FOR RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Planning Commission in its mid-term appraisal has recommended for setting up of an independent regulator for Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Planning Commission has recommended that in order to put Railway fares on a rational basis, it is essential to establish a Rail Tariff Regulatory Authority.
- (c) The Ministry is not in agreement with recommendation of Planning Commission.