

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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DISCONTINUATION OF RAIL SERVICE
Kora Shri Madhu

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways have discontinued trains on Khadagpur-Rourkela railway section of Howrah-Mumbai railway line during night time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry proposes to start additional trains during day time to resolve the inconvenience;and
- (d) the details regarding the security arrangements made on said railway line?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Temporarily, 3 pairs of Mail/Express trains scheduled to run during night time on Kharagpur-Rourkela section have been diverted and 2 pairs of passenger trains run during night time have been cancelled. All other trains scheduled to run on Kharagpur-Rourkela section are now temporarily regulated to avoid running over the section during night time.
- (c) One special train (0805/0806) has been introduced to run between Rourkela-Jharsuguda section almost in the same path of 8008/8006 Howrah-Koraput Express, which is now running on diverted route. Suitable connection of this special train has been provided at Jharsuguda with 8105/8106 Rourkela-Bhubaneswar Express.
- (d) 'Policing on Railways' is a State subject and prevention of crime, registration of cases, their investigation and maintenance of law and order in Railway premises as well as on running trains are, therefore, the statutory responsibility of the State police, which they discharge through the Government Railway Police (GRP) of the State concerned. However, to provide better security to the travelling passengers in trains and passenger areas, the Railway Protection Force, supplements the efforts of the State Governments in controlling crime on the Railways.