

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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SPECIAL TRAINS FOR AJMER SHARIF  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have introduced trains between Ajmer Sharif and other States of the country particularly Jharkhand to facilitate the pilgrims who are going to participate in Urs in Ajmer Sharif;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of trains introduced to each State during festivals and summer vacations during the last three years and the current year as on date; and
- (d) the revenue earned by the Government through the said special trains?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Special trains for Ajmer were run from Hyderabad, Kacheguda, Ongole, Nizamabad, Sealdah, Howrah, Barauni, Chhapra, Bhagalpur, Lucknow, Saharanpur, Mumbai, Bandra and Delhi on the occasion of annual Urs festival to clear the extra rush of pilgrims.

(c): State-wise data of the special trains is not maintained. However, the approximate number of special trains that ran during the last 3 years is as under:

2006-07 - 16249 trips

2007-08 - 21750 trips

2008-09 - 33908 trips

During the current year, approximately 7500 trips of special trains have so far been run upto June to clear the summer rush.

(d): Separate data of revenue earned from special trains run to cater to different occasions is not maintained.