

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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BUDGET HOTELS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have made any efforts to build budget hotels at the railway stations in the country particularly in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the number of railway stations where budget hotels exist and the number of locations where such hotels are proposed to be constructed, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the reaction of the Railways thereto?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Railways have planned to develop 50 stations over Indian Railways including 3 stations (Ahmedabad, Porbander and Surat) in the State of Gujarat as World Class Stations. These stations are planned to be provided with budget hotels in addition to various other facilities.

Further, in order to provide rail users various facilities like shopping, food stalls & restaurants, book stalls, etc., development of Multi-functional Complexes (MFCs) has been taken up at various stations including 7 stations in the State of Gujarat. Budget hotels are proposed to be provided in these Multi-functional Complexes wherever so required as per market potential. Presently there is no budget hotel operational at any station on Indian Railways.

(c) & (d): Do not arise.