

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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SPEED OF TRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways propose to increase the speed of trains and/ or start more express trains in order to decrease travelling time across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, including Odisha; and
- (c) the names of the stations identified for this purpose?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Speeding up of trains is a constant endeavour and continuous process on Indian Railways and is dependent on constant optimization of the investments made by way of modernization of technology, high powered locos, modern coaches (LHB, air brake, CBC) and better tracks. 89 new mail/express train services have been announced in the Railway Budget 2011-12. Introduction of new train service is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, competing demand, etc. Indian Railway do not introduce new train service on State-wise/Station-wise basis as railway network runs across State boundaries.