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NEW TRAINS FOR GANDHINAGAR
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Gandhinagar, the State capital of Gujarat, is being served by very few trains and frequency of trains is also low;
- (b) if so, the number of trains connecting Gandhinagar with the rest of the country and the frequency thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways intend to provide more trains to the State capital of Gujarat;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Railways on the said proposal so far?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) At present, Gandhinagar Capital is being served by 4 pairs of trains. These include:

- (i) 19105/19106 Ahmedabad-Haridwar Mail (daily)
- (ii) 12215/12216 Bandra (T)-Jaipur-Delhi Sarai Rohilla Express (4 days a week)
- (iii) 69131/69132 Vadodara-Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar MEMU (daily)
- (iv) 19309/19310 Indore-Gandhinagar Express (daily)

Ahmedabad located 34 kms from Gandhinagar, adequately serves the latter through 48 originating and 51 through trains to all parts of the country.

Extension of further additional trains upto Gandhinagar or diversion of additional trains via Gandhinagar or introduction of trains for Gandhinagar have not been found to be operationally feasible at present.

(c) to (e): Trains are not introduced on a state wise basis but on the basis of traffic demand, operational feasibility and availability of resources.