

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1936  
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PROPOSALS FROM SOUTHERN RAILWAY  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have received various proposals from Southern Railway (SR) for introduction of new trains, extension of existing trains, providing additional coaches in some trains etc.;
- (b) if so, the present status thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Railways thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. A large number of proposals including from Southern Railway for introduction of new trains, extension of existing trains, providing additional coaches in some trains, etc are received by the Railways.

The competing demands for introduction of new trains, extension of existing trains etc. are examined thoroughly keeping the operational desirability, resource availability and traffic requirements in view. Results of this exercise forms the core of the new train services, extension of existing services announced in the Railway Budget. Further, attachment of coaches in trains, including on proposals of Southern Railways, is an ongoing process over Indian Railways and is done keeping in view the traffic pattern, operational feasibility, commercial viability and availability of resources.