

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONDITION OF COACHES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coaches of Rajdhani Express in the country particularly Guwahati/ Dibrugarh Express are very old and are in a dilapidated condition;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railways propose to replace these with new coaches; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the said process is likely to be completed ?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): No, Madam. New Delhi- Guwahati/Dibrugarh Rajdhani Express train is currently being serviced with new LHB design coaches, oldest of which are barely 5 years old.

Some other Rajdhani Services viz. Mumbai-New Delhi, Mumbai-Nizamuddin, Howrah-New Delhi, Sealdah-New Delhi, Bhubaneswar-New Delhi, New Delhi-Patna and Nizamuddin-Thiruvananthapuram are also with new LHB design coaches.

It is planned for conversion of other Rajdhani services, presently with conventional ICF design coaches, to new LHB rakes gradually.