

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:487
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EKTA EXPRESS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have received any proposal to run Ekta Express (Train No. 14795/6) running between Bhiwani and Kalka independently to save the time without connecting at Panipat for joining with Himalayan Queen Express;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Railways thereto;
- (c) whether the Railways have also received any proposal to attach one AC car coach permanently for Ekta Express to facilitate more passengers in view of heavy demand on this route; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Railways thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. At present, there is no such proposal to run 14795/ 14796 Bhiwani-Kalka Ekta Express independently in view of operational constraints.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Madam. The matter has been examined but attachment of an AC Chair Car in 14795/14796 Bhiwani-Kalka Ekta Express has not been found operationally feasible at present.