

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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SMART CARD  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways are contemplating to launch a Pan Indian Multi-Purpose Smart Card named 'Go India' across the country with a view to streamline the procedure of buying railway tickets and seeking reserved berths;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways are likely to face practical problem in launching the above card;
- (c) if so, the corrective measures being initiated in this regard;
- (d) whether the Railways propose to introduce this card even at the Allahabad Railway Station; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a) The introduction of a pan-India, multi-purpose "Go-India" smart card on a pilot basis was announced in the Railway Budget, presented for the Financial year 2011-12.
- (b) The pilot project is at the development stage. There is no such problem at this stage.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) and (e) Delhi–Mumbai and the Delhi-Howrah sector, have been identified for the implementation of "Go-India" smart card on a pilot basis. Allahabad Railway Station falls in the Delhi-Howrah sector and is therefore covered under the pilot project.