

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal for increasing the passenger coaches in train No. 18241/18242 Durg-Ambikapur Express and in Kochuveli-Dehradun Express train as well as provision of pantry car in said trains; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be provided?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): 12287/12288 Kochuveli-Dehradun Express is presently running with maximum permissible load of 13 coaches. Attachment of additional coaches in this train is operationally not feasible at present.

18241/18242 Durg-Ambikapur Express-cum-Passenger train is presently running with 16 coaches in its composition which are considered adequate for the present. Attachment of coaches is an ongoing process over Indian Railways and is done keeping in view the traffic pattern, operational feasibility, commercial viability and availability of resources.

The attachment of pantry cars to trains is based on factors such as operational feasibility due to existing load of the train, maximum load permitted on each section, priority of the train, journey time, commercial justification, availability of pantry cars and other exigencies etc. among others. However, in some trains, Train Side Vending facility is provided to meet the catering requirement of the travelling passengers.