

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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TOILETS IN MEMU TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current guidelines for providing toilets in Diesel Electric Multiple Units (DEMUs) and Mainline Electric Multiple Units (MEMUs);
- (b) whether most of the DEMUs and MEMUs running in the country do not have basic toilet facilities for the commuters;
- (c) if so, the number of such trains which do not have toilets and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Railways plan to provide toilet facilities in these trains; 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) As per the present policy guidelines, toilet facilities are provided in DEMU/MEMU trains having journey time of more than 2 hours. Production of new DEMU and MEMU coaches with toilet facilities has already commenced.
- (b) & (c) Only those DEMU and MEMU coaches have been provided with toilet facilities which have been manufactured after 2009-10. A total number of 563 Broad Gauge DEMU coaches and 924 MEMU trailer coaches do not have toilet facilities as these were manufactured before 2009-10.
- (d) & (e) No, Madam. Presently there is no plan for retrofitment of toilets in existing DEMU/MEMU coaches as the same involves major modification in the coach structure.