

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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NEW TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether number of representations have been received by the Railways regarding commencing new express trains/extension/ stoppage of existing trains/GaribRath/Rajdhani/Shatabdi trains from major metropolitan cities of the country connecting important cities/towns of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of representations received during the last two years and the current year, along with the nature of such representations;

(c) the action taken by the Railways thereto; and

(d) the norms being adopted for introducing the new trains?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): Indian Railways do not run new trains on State-wise basis as railway network runs across State boundaries. Railways have received representations during the last two years as well as the current year for commencing new express trains/ extension/ increase in frequency/ stoppage of existing trains/ GaribRath/ Rajdhani/ Shatabdi trains, inter-alia, linking major metropolitan cities of the country to important cities/towns, some of which are located in Uttar Pradesh. However, consolidated information of all such representations is not maintained separately as representations are received at various levels of railway administrations, including Railway Stations, Divisions, Zonal Railways, Railway Board, etc.

These demands are examined from the point of traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc., and decisions are taken to start new train services based on these factors.

(d): New trains are introduced subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, providing connectivity to new lines/stations located on gauge converted sections, etc.