

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:977  
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NEW FEATURES IN SUBURBAN TRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways are considering to add new features in suburban trains like advance audio-visual facilities, destination indicators, announcement about approaching stations, etc. as found in the Delhi Metro;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways are also considering to introduce stainless steel coaches in suburban trains;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Railways are planning to introduce more ladies special trains in suburban routes as well; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): Passenger Information System (PIS) has already been provided in newly manufactured AC/DC Electrical Multiple Unit (EMU) stock for Mumbai area. The works for provision of PIS system in suburban trains have also been sanctioned for Eastern, Southern, South Eastern & Northern Railways.
- (c): Yes, Madam.
- (d): A developmental order for manufacturing of stainless steel Electrical Multiple Unit (EMU) rakes has been placed on M/s Bharat Earth Movers Limited, Bangalore and one stainless steel EMU rake has already been inducted in service in Eastern Railway.
- (e): At present, there is no such proposal. However, introduction of train service, including ladies special trains on sub-urban routes, is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, competing demands etc.
- (f): Does not arise.