## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4487 ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012 TRAINS FOR GUJARAT Kanubhai Patel Jayshreeben;Pathak Shri Harin

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have received representation for starting new trains from various sections of people of Gujarat as well as from Government of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the new trains announced in the current year;

(c) whether Saurashtra Region of Gujarat is having very low/inadequate train facilities and representation has been made to the Railways for starting new trains;

(d) if so, whether the Railways have received representations from various people/organisations/rail users for starting of new trains from Rajkot/Bhavnagar region of Saurashtra and Kutch region of Gujarat as well as extension of existing trains; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Railways thereto and the time by which the said trains are likely to be introduced?

## Answer

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

(a) to (e) Representations for introduction of new train services/extension of existing train services have been received from the public, organizations, rail users, public representatives etc., including from the Government of Gujarat. However, a complete compendium of such representations is not maintained as representations are received at various levels of Railway administration. Indian Railways do not run trains on state-wise/region-wise basis, as trains run across state boundaries. 19573/19574 Okha-Jaipur Express (Weekly), 19055/19056 Valsad- Jodhpur Express (Weekly), 19201/19202 Porbander-Secunderabad Express (Weekly), 22907/22908 Hapa-Madgaon Exp. (Weekly), 19409/19410 Ahmedabad-Gorakhpur Express

(Weekly), 19451/19452 Gandhidham-Bandra(T) Express (Weekly), 13425/13426 Malda Town-Surat Express (Weekly), 22475/22476 Coimbatore-Bikaner AC Express (Weekly), 19029/19030 Bandra (T) Delhi Sarai Rohilla Express (Weekly), 22473/22474 Bikaner-Bandra(T) Express(Weekly), 11103/11104 Jhansi-Mumbai Express(Weekly), 69189/69190 Dahod-Anand MEMU (Daily) & 69191/69192 Anand-Gandhinagar MEMU (Daily) have already been introduced and 19051/19052 Valsad-Sonpur Express upto Muzaffarpur, 12945/12946 Surat-Varanasi Express upto Chhapra, 12941/12942 Asansol-Ahmedabad Express upto Bhavnagar & 59117/59122 Pratapnagar-Bodeli Passenger upto Chota Udepur have already been extended and frequency of 22451/22452 Chandigarh-Bandra (T) Express from weekly to bi-weekly has been increased, as announced in the Railway Budget 2012-2013 which happen to serve the state of Gujarat. Besides, introduction of 79455/79456 Pratapnagar-Chota Udepur DEMU (Daily), 22903/22904 Bandra (T)- Bhuj AC Express(Tri-Weekly), 19411/19412 Ahmedabad-Ajmer Intercity Express (Daily), 22829/22830 Shalimar-Bhuj Express (Weekly), 19251/19252 Somnath-Dwarka Express (daily) and extension of 19605/19606 Kolkata-Ajmer Express upto Ahmedabad have also been announced in Railway Budget 2012-2013 which will serve the state of Gujarat.