

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal to set up a Rail Tariff Regulatory Authority (RTRA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have hiked freight rates 400 times in the last five years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether frequent hikes have adversely affected the Railway's freight movement and also its revenue targets; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to stabilize the freight traffic?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) No, Madam.
- (f) Does not arise.