

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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SPEED OF TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the railways have increased the speed of any trains or have introduced any high speed or semi-high speed trains in the country particularly in Rajasthan in order to minimise the journey time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT and route-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): Speeding up of trains including Rajdhani Express trains is a constant endeavour and continuous process on Indian Railways and is dependent on constant optimization of the investments made by Railways in modernization of technology, high powered locos, modern coaches (LHB, air brake, CBC) and better tracks. Also, introduction of new train including high speed trains is an ongoing process subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc. However, speeding up of trains as well as introduction of new train is not done on State-wise basis as Indian Railway network run across State boundaries.

(b) & (c): Do not arise.