GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2082 ANSWERED ON:22.08.2013 TRAINS FOR KARNATAKA Kateel Shri Nalin Kumar;Shivanagouda Shri Shivaramagouda

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have received any proposal seeking introduction of Bengaluru Rajdhani train via Hubli, a day train service from Karvar to Yeshwantpur as well as a train between Bangalore-Mangalore via Arsikere;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Railways in this regard;
- (c) whether the Railways have received any representations seeking extension of the train between Puttur and Kabaka upto Subramanya; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Representations for introduction of new train services and extension of existing train services are received constantly at various levels of railway administration and action taken thereon is an on-going process, subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc. Presently two pairs of Express trains are available between Karwar and Yesvantpur, of which, 16515/16516 Yesvantpur-Karwar (tri-weekly) is running via Mangalore and Arsikere. Also, 16565/16566 Bangalore-Mangalore Express (Weekly) has been announced in Railway Budget 2013-14. However, at present, introduction of Bangalore Rajdhani train via Hubli, a day train service from Karwar to Yesvantpur as well as a train between Bangalore-Mangalore via Arsikere, and extension of train services between Puttur and Kabaka upto Subrahmanya Road, are not being done due to operational and resource constraints.