

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TRAIN HALTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether opening of a halt at Hariharpur Darbhanga-Sitamarhi rail section is profitable from commercial angle;
- (b) whether during the inspection it was found that proposed halt at Hariharpur was considered profitable from both operation and commercial points of view and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of halts in Samastipur Division which are not profitable but their operation is continued from public interest point of view; and
- (d) the reasons for not providing halt at Hariharpur from public interest point of view?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The demand for opening of a halt station at Hariharpur on Darbhanga – Sitamarhi rail section has neither been found operationally feasible nor commercially viable. Some halt stations are functioning on Samastipur division, on passenger amenity grounds. Review of passenger halts is a continuous process. The proposal for opening of a halt station at Hariharpur cannot be considered at present, as this is not feasible from operational point of view. Further, passengers of Hariharpur may avail train services from Muhammadpur station which is only 2.60 Kms away