GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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ADDITIONAL TRAINS ON DELHI DEHRADUN ROUTE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to introduce additional trains on Delhi- Dehradun rail route via Meerut;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways are considering for introduction of Rajdhani Express on this route and provide a halt at Muzaffarnagar; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) At present, 09 pairs of Mail/Express trains including 12017/12018 New Delhi-Dehradun Shatabdi Express (daily),12205/12206 New Delhi-Dehradun AC Express (daily) and 12055/12056 New Delhi-Dehradun Janshatabdi Express (daily) with stoppages at Meerut City and Muzaffarnagar are available on Delhi-Meerut-Dehradun sector. Further, in the Railway Budget 2013-14, increase in frequency of 12687/12688 Madurai-Dehradun Express from weekly to bi-weekly has been announced to cater to the needs of passengers of Delhi-Meerut-Dehradun sector. However, presently, there is no proposal for introduction of additional train including a Rajdhani Express (with stoppage at Muzaffarnagar) due to operational and resource constraints.