

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:61  
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PANTRY CAR FOR HOLIDAYS SPECIAL  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have decided to start Holiday Special Trains due to the heavy rush of passengers during summer season;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is no provision of pantry car in most of the trains and the passengers are facing difficulties as a result thereof; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Railways to provide pantry cars in summer specials?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Every year Indian Railways run special trains to clear the extra rush of passengers during summer season. This year about 7500 trips of summer special trains have been run.

(c) & (d) Due to limited availability of pantry cars, provision of pantry cars in all the special trains is not feasible. However, catering services through train side vending and catering units at the stations are available for passengers.