

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3405  
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CATERING FACILITIES IN TRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Railways have started implementing various provisions made out in Railway Budget 2009-10 regarding improvement in catering facilities in trains;and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon during the current fiscal year?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. Action has already been initiated to improve the catering services as pronounced in Railway Budget 2009-10 such as :-

(i) Ensuring proper coordination for provision of good quality and hygienic food.

(ii) Revamping availability of Janata meals.

(iii) Opening of JANAHAR cafeterias for sale of affordable meals.

(iv) Quality control measures introduced in base kitchens, mobile catering units and stalls.

(v) Proper maintenance of pantry cars and equipments.

(vi) Improvement in quality of food especially in mobile catering units and stringent action against licensees whose performance is found unsatisfactory.

(vii) The catering policy is being reviewed.