

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:71
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RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN CHHAPRA AND BANARAS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal to introduce any rail service between Chhapra and Banaras via Barhaj Bazar of Deoria District;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Besides the operational constraints on the proposed route, a direct route, shorter by 105 kilometre, via Ballia, is already available between Chhapra and Varanasi.