GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2128
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WITHDRAWAL OF INTERCITY EXPRESS TRAINS
Mahto Dr. Banshilal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the policy governing withdrawal of trains from various routes by the Railways;
- (b) whether Train No. 08795 Korba-Raipur Intercity Express operating in Chhattisgarh State has been withdrawn;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which services of this train are likely to be resumed;
- (d) whether the Railways propose to discontinue Indore Intercity train from Kota; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) The extant guidelines for cancellation of trains on Indian Railways, inter-alia, stipulate that the average earning potential for the service so shortlisted should be below 30% (both reserved and unreserved accommodation), for the entire year in both directions and availability of alternative service on the route in question.
- (b) Yes, Madam.
- (c) 08795/08796 Korba-Raipur Express had been operated as a Special Train for a period of three months and by their very nature special trains get discontinued after the planned period. At present, there is no proposal for resumption of the said service.
- (d) No, Madam. At present, there is no proposal to discontinue the service of 19801/19802 Indore-Kota Intercity Express.
- (e) Does not arise.