

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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WOMEN SPECIAL TRAINS .
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the norms fixed for the operation of women special trains between different cities in the country;
- (b) the name of the cities to which women special trains are being operated from Mumbai;
- (c) whether Railways are considering proposal to start women special train in the morning between Badlapur station and CST Mumbai; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): There is no specific norm for operation of women special trains between different cities in the country. However, Ladies EMU Special/Matibhoomi trains were introduced in Railway Budget 2009-10 & 2010-11 for the convenience of the women passengers and to improve their travel on rail especially during peak office hours in Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Secunderabad & Chennai Suburban on the pattern of Mumbai Suburban.

Generally, in Ladies EMU Special trains, only women passengers are allowed. However, in the recent times, partial accommodation of general public was allowed separately in order to improve patronization where occupancy of women passengers was very poor in such Matibhoomi trains.

(b): One pair each of Ladies EMU Special Train is being run between Mumbai CST-Kalyan on the main line, Mumbai CST-Panvel on the Harbour line, Thane-Panvel and Thane-Vashi on the Trans Harbour line during morning & evening peak hours.

(c) & (d): At present, there is no proposal to introduce Ladies EMU Special Train between Badlapur and Mumbai CST due to operational and resource constraints.