

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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TRAIN SPEED  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of average speed of superfast, express, mail, passenger, goods and DEMU trains in the country;
- (b) whether the Railways have taken any steps to increase the average speed of these trains in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a): As per the Year Book 2012-13, the average speed of trains running on Indian Railways including halts in kilometer/hour is as under:

Type of trains	Broad Gauge	Metre Gauge
EMU	40.7	-
Mail/Express	50.4	29.6
Ordinary Passenger	36.1	26.0
Trains (including Mixed Trains)		
Goods Trains	25.5	14
DEMU	38.9	-

However, Superfast Express are trains whose end to end speed is equal to or more than 55 kmph and 45 kmph on Broad Gauge and Meter Gauge respectively.

(b) to (d): Speeding up of trains is a constant endeavor and continuous process on Indian Railways and is dependent on constant optimization of the investments made by Railways in modernization of technology, high powered locos, modern coaches and better tracks.