

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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INVESTMENT IN RAILWAYS  
Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

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

- (a) whether the Railways propose to allow private companies in running standalone passenger lines like hill railways in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Concessioneing of standalone passenger corridors is a permissible area for Domestic/Foreign Direct Investment under the Sectoral guidelines issued by Ministry of Railways in November, 2014.