

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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MEMU TRAIN SERVICE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are considering introduction of additional Mainline Electric Multiple Units (MEMU) Train service between Kollam and Nagercoil; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the service is proposed to be introduced?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No, madam. There is no proposal to introduce an additional Mainline Electric Multiply Unit (MEMU) train between Kollam and Nagercoil due to operational and resource constraints.

However, at present, Kollam and Nagercoil are connected with a number of trains including 56700/56701 Kollam-Madurai passenger and 66304/66305 Kollam-Kanniyakumari MEMU. Further, Punalur-Kanniyakumari Passenger (daily) via Kollam has been announced in Interim Railway Budget 2014 which will also provide additional connectivity between Kollam and Nagercoil.