

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1544
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2018**

TICKET UPGRADATION

†1544. SHRI NAGENDRA PRATAP SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways proposes to receive payments through alternate modes other than cash for ticket upgradation during journey;**
- (b) if so, the details of other such mode of payment; and**
- (c) the time by which digital payment is likely to be started?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. Instructions have been issued for integration of functionality of Excess Fare Ticket (EFT) generation and enabling of payments through Point of Sale (POS) machines in the Phase-II of the Hand Held Terminals (HHT) for Travelling Ticket Examiners (TTEs) project.

However, no time frame can be fixed for providing the facility of digital payment during journey, as technical feasibility of digital payment modes with HHT is not yet ascertained.
