

[Translation]

Conversion of Dahej-Samni Railway Line

*47. SHRICHANDUBHAIDESHMUKH:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to convert the Dahej-Samni metro-gauge railway line in Gujarat into broad-gauge; and

(b) whether keeping in view the oil-field of Gandhar, the Government propose of provide train service three times a day on this route by making use of diesel locomotives?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Dahej-Samni is only a narrow gauge line and there is no proposal to convert the same into Broad Gauge.

(b) No, Sir.

Cancellation of Trains

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several trains have been cancelled in view of the scarcity of diesel and other petroleum products in the country due to the Gulf war;

(b) if so, the names of trains cancelled in various zones;

(c) the criteria for cancelling these trains;

(d) the details of alternative arrange-

ments made for the convenience of regular passengers on those routes;

(e) whether any goods train has also been cancelled;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) the extent of petroleum products being saved by the cancellation of these trains;

(h) the revenue loss to railways due to cancellation of these trains; and

(i) the time by which all the cancelled trains will be restarted?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) to (f). The passenger services were withdrawn selectively, as per the statement given below, to increase movement of the freight traffic. No goods train was cancelled. While withdrawing the passenger services the traffic offering on the affected routes was kept in view. However, due care was taken to ensure that the alternative services are available and the hardship caused is minimal.

(g) The engines and paths thus saved are being utilised to increase freight movement. Therefore, there is likely to be no saving in consumption of diesel in the area of traction.

(h) No significant loss is anticipated as alternative services are available on the affected routes.

(i) A gradual process of restoration will be initiated as soon as the position starts improving.

STATEMENT

1.	3133/3134	Sealdah-Mughalsarai Express
2.	4047/4048	Delhi-Balamu Express
3.	8631/8632	Hatla-Varanasi Express
4.	4265/4266	Dehradun-Varanasi Express
5.	7339/7340	Dadar-Nagpur Express (on Nagpur-Badnera section)
6.	1269/1270	Bhopal-Rajkot Express
7.	2853/2854	Durg-Bhopal Amarkantak Express
8.	9809/9810	Ahmadabad-Bhavnagar Express
9.	5717/5718	Katihar-Guwahati Express
10.	9903/9904	Ahmadabad-Delhi Express
11.	3049/3050	Amritsar-Howrah Express
12.	3039-3040	Howrah-Delhi Express (on Howrah Mughalsarai section)
13.	3283/3284	Bhiwani-Danapur Ganga-Yamuna Express
14.	3213-3214	Bhiwani-Danapur Ganga-Yamuna Express
15.	1057-1058	Dadar-Amritsar Express
16.	4309-4310	Dehradun-Ujjain Ujjaini Express
17.	2473-2474	Delhi-Muzaffarpur Shaheed Express
18.	2449/2450	Delhi-Muzaffarpur Saryu-Yamuna Express
19.	7489-7490	Cochin-Varanasi Express
20.	7491/7492	Tirupati-Varanasi Express

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21.	8089-8090		Tirupati-Howrah Exp. (on Howrah-Vijayawada section)	
22.	6093/6094		Madras-Lucknow Express	
23.	6017/6018		Kanniya Kumari-Jammu Tawi Himsagar Express	
24.	6687/6688		Jammu Tawi-Mangalore Navyug Express	
25.	5045/5046		Ahamadabad-Gorakhpur Express	
26.	5011/5012		Cochin-Gorakhpur Express	
27.	7081/7082		Cochin-Indore Express	
28.	5089/5090		Gorakhpur-Hyderabad Express	
29.	6365/6366		Tirchy-Cochin Express	
30.	3025/3026		Howrah-Muzaffarpur Express	
31.	2159/2160		Howrah-Gwalior Chambal Express	
32.	2181/2182		Howrah-Agra Express	
33.	2161/2162		Dadar-Agra Lashkar Express	
34.	1171/1172		Howrah-Indore Shipra Express	
35.	2557/2558		Guwahati-Howrah Kanchengunga	
36.	4245/4246		Surat-Varanasi Tapti-Ganga Express	
37.	47/48		Vadodara-Okha Fast Passenger	
38.	4647/4648		Delhi-Amritsar Flying Mail	
39.	6063/6064		Dadar-Madras Chennai Express	
40.	6179/6180		Madras-Tirunelveli Janata Express	
41.	6799/6800		Tirupti-Rameswaram Express (on Madurai- Rameswaram section)	
