

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4699  
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2002  
LOCO RUNNING STAFF  
CHELLAMELLA SUGUNA KUMARI

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

(a) whether existing Loco running staff are required to put extra hours of work leading to fatigue bearing an adverse impact on safety of passengers in the railways particularly in South Eastern Railway; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and reaction of the Government in this regard ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a): No Sir. Running Staff working passenger trains are rostered as per crew links in which all statutory provisions of rest and working hours are complied with. However, Running Staff may have to work beyond the duty hours stipulated in the link in exceptional exigencies of accidents, floods, agitation, equipment failures, etc. only. Duty hours of Loco Running Staff of entire Railways are monitored constantly.

(b) : Does not arise.