

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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INTRODUCTION OF FAST TRAINS ON HARBOUR LINES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railway has taken action and realigned to reduce the travel time on harbour lines in Central Railway, Mumbai;
- (b) whether CST and Masjid railway stations and Railway lines are realigned;
- (c) the way in which it will benefit the commuters;
- (d) whether any fast train on harbour lines is likely to be started;
- (e) whether any frequency will be increased; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) Railways have already carried out the re-modelling of harbour line at Mumbai CST yard whereby the lines and the cross-over points have been realigned. The speed of trains over the turn-outs has been increased from 10 kmph to 30 kmph.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) After the completion of realignment work at Kurla and Vashi stations on harbour line the travelling time between Mumbai CST and Panvel is likely to be reduced by about 5 minutes.
- (d) No, Sir. Not at present.
- (e) and (f) No, Sir. Not at present.