

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:750  
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2001  
CHAIR CAR FACILITY IN AUGUST KRANTI RAJDHANI EXPRESS TRAIN  
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

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

- (a) whether the Chair-car facility in August Kranti Rajdhani Express has been withdrawn;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government have received any request/proposal to re-introduce Chair-car facility in the said train;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): In view of over-night travel and long hours of journey, there were frequent complaints from passengers of discomfort in AC Chair Car coaches. Railways started production of AC 3 Tier coaches in which nearly same number of berths were available as the number of seats in the Chair Car thereby providing better comfort to the travelling passengers.

(c) to (e): The same matter was raised by Sh. Ramdas Athawale, Hon'ble MP in a notice of "Calling Attention" in Lok Sabha on 7.8.200 and a suitable reply was sent to Lok Sabha Secretariat on 08.08.2000.