

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2313  
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INCREASE IN SPEED OF LONG DISTANCE SUPER FAST TRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have undertaken any study on the possibility of increasing the maximum speed of long distance super fast expresses in the country to cut travel time;
- (b) if so, the details of the study made in this regard;
- (c) the present average maximum speed of Indian trains; and
- (d) the time by which the Railways will be able to double the present maximum speed of the trains?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): Improving the working of Railways including speeds of trains is an ongoing process subject to availability of resources and operational feasibility.
- (c) 2001 Bhopal- New Delhi Shatabdi Express is having maximum average speed of is 87.625 kmph.
- (d) There is no such proposal at present.