

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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PROPOSAL TO ADD AC 3 AC 2 TIER COACHES IN LONG DISTANCE TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have a proposal to add additional number of AC 3 tier coaches and AC 2 tier coaches in some long distance trains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of south bound trains like Ratnachel Express in which 2 tier AC/3 tier AC coaches are to be added;
- (d) the steps taken in this regard;
- (e) whether there is any proposal to replace 2 tier AC coaches with that of 3 tier AC coaches;
- (f) if so, whether there is any proposal to manufacture more 3 tier AC coaches; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST
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(a) to (e): Provision of AC-2 tier/AC-3 tiercoaches in long distance overnight Mail/ Express trains is an ongoing process depending upon traffic pattern, operational feasibility and availability of resources.

(f)& (g): Manufacturing of coaches depends on requirement, and availability of resources etc.

However, it has been planned to manufacture 198 AC-3 tier coaches in 2002-2003.