

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPRESS TRAIN DURING KUMBH MELA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of express trains to be provided on account of Kumbh Mela in Nasik in 2003 and the details of the cities and States of their points of origin;
- (b) the arrangements made to provide a stoppage to trains passing through Nasik and the number thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to provide passenger amenities in these trains?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Railway will make all efforts to clear the extra rush of traffic on account of Kumbh Mela in Nasik in 2003 by running special trains, augmenting the loads of the existing trains, providing additional stoppages and passenger amenities subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification and availability of resources in consultation with the Mela Authorities. The details of the arrangements are not finalised.