

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4164
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DECCAN-ODYSSEY TRAIN IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Deccan-Odyssey Train would commence from January 26, 2003 in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, whether it is joint venture of Ministry of Tourism, MTDC and Indian Railways; and
- (c) if so, the salient features of the train frequency and route?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): No, Sir. The train is likely to be operational in May, 2003.

(b) & (c): The Deccan-Odyssey Train is a joint project of the Ministry of Tourism, Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation and Indian Railways. This train proposes to undertake a 7 day round trip on Mumbai-Ratnagiri-Sindhudurg-Goa-Pune-Aurangabad-(Ajanta-Ellora-Daulatabad)-Mumbai route.