

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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STANDARD SIZE OF TROLLEY AT PLATFORMS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Mumbai Division of Western Railway has notified the standard size of Trolleys providing catering service at Platforms;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that in the name of repair of trolleys at Balsad Railway Station, the size of trolleys have become bigger than the standard norms fixed by the Mumbai Division of Western Railway in connivance with the senior Railway Officials;
- (d) if so, the action taken against the defaulting contractors and the guilty railway officials;
- (e) whether Western Railway has announced the ban on cooking of eatables on trolleys running at the platforms;
- (f) if so, whether it is also a fact that trolley-owners are cooking the eatables unauthorizedly in connivance with the railway officials; and
- (g) the number of cases reported in this regard and the action taken against the trolley owners and railway officials found guilty?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) and (b) : Yes, Sir. The size of allotted catering trolleys at platforms in the Mumbai division are notified as under: -

Type of Trolley	Type of Wares	Size (in Cms.)
A	Sweetmeat, Namkeens and/or Puri and Bhajias	106.68X60.96X106.68
B	Tea, Coffee, Milk, Biscuits, etc.	106.68X60.96X91.44
C	Toys (curios) and Miscellaneous Articles	106.68X60.96X106.68
D	Pan, etc.	106.68X91.44X91.44
E	Books and Magazines	106.68X91.44X91.44
F	Fresh and/or Dry Fruits	91.44X60.96X91.44

(c) No, Sir. Permission in connection with repairs of trolleys has not been given. However, it is noticed that the size of some of the existing trolleys is bigger than the prescribed size.

(d) Contractors have already been instructed to reduce size of trolleys immediately failing which strict action will be taken.

(e) Western Railway has scheduled a time frame to stop cooking activities on station platforms. Cooking on pressure stove and coal

fired sigri may not be permitted on the station platforms at 'A', 'B' and 'C' category stations after 31.8.2005 and at 'D' and 'E' category stations after 31.12.2005. 7

(f) & (g) : Do not arise.