

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1354
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TRAIN FACILITIES IN TATA- BARBIL AREA
Sumbri Shri Bagun

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual income earned by the Government from goods transportation from Tata-Barbil-Banspani Railway Division under Chakradharpur Railway Division;
- (b) whether there is any plan under consideration of the Government to provide passenger train facilities in the Railway Zones providing maximum revenue from goods transportation;
- (c) if so, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start Barbil-Howrah Express Train and Tatanagar-Barbil MEMU train for providing rail passenger facilities in Tata-Barbil area; and
- (d) if so, the progress made to introduce said trains so far; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) Sectionwise details of earnings is not mentioned.
- (b) Passenger train facilities are provided based on need of passenger traffic. These are not correlated to revenue from goods transportation. Following additional passenger services have been provided for the South Eastern Railway during 2005-2006:

Introduction

1. 1 RL/2RL Ranchi-Lohardaga Passenger w.e.f. 05.07.2005.
2. 3RL/4RL Ranchi-Lohardaga Passenger w.e.f. 08.08.2005.
3. Two pairs of Passenger train between Rupsa and Baripada (proposed).
4. Passenger train service on Bankura-Sonamukhi section w.e.f. 18.09.2005 proposed upto Rainagar during 2005-2006.

Extension:

1. 3287/3288 Danapur-Tata portion upto Durg w.e.f 01.07.2005
2. 8477/8478 Puri-Nizamuddin Kalinga Utkal Express upto Haridwar w.e.f 09.07.2005.
3. 2983/2984 Puri-Bilaspur Express upto Bhubaneswar w.e.f 02.07.2005 and further extended upto Puri w.e.f 03.08.2005.

Increase in frequency:

1. 8003/8004 Howrah-Yesvantpur Express from Bi-weekly to daily and its diversion via Tirupati w.e.f. 01.07.2005.
2. 3403/3404 Ranchi-Bhagalpur Vananchal Express from 4 days a week to 5 days a week w.e.f 01.07.2005.

Introduction of trains on Indian Railways is a continuous process depending upon operational feasibility, traffic justification and availability of coaches.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) Due to operational and resource constraints.

