

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2410
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RAIL LINK BETWEEN DELHI-SURAT
Jagannath Dr. M.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the persistent demand to introduce direct railway link between Delhi and Surat to meet the requirement of the people visiting Surat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): At present, 7 pairs of Express trains are serving the Delhi- Surat sector. These are considered adequate for the present level of traffic offering between these two cities. Introduction of additional trains between Delhi and Surat is not found feasible due to operational and resource constraints.