

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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MULTI- PURPOSE TRAVEL CARDS

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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways are planning to introduce multi-purpose travel cards as reported in The Times of India dated October 23, 2006;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have examined the financial feasibility of the project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e) A proposal has been received from Central Railway for implementation of a scheme of issuing smart card which will be valid for travel in suburban trains as well as BEST (local buses in Mumbai area). The proposal is at preliminary stage of examination.