

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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SELLING OF RAILWAY TICKETS THROUGH PETROL PUMPS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are formulating a plan to sell railway tickets through petrol pumps across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be launched; and
- (d) the benefits likely to be accrued to the passengers therefrom?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) had approached Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, Indian Oil Corporation Limited and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited to sell railway tickets through internet (e-tickets) from their petrol pumps/retail stores.

(c) & (d): As this proposal is at preliminary stage of discussion, no specific time for launching this scheme can be given. This scheme will facilitate procurement of reserved railway tickets.