

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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TRACK RELAYING MACHINE FOR NEW RAILWAY TRACKS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether track relaying train (T.R.T.) machine is being used by the Government for laying new rail tracks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the main features of this (T.R.T.) machine; and
- (d) the daily capacity of this machine to lay rail tracks?

**Answer**

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

- (a)&(b): Partially correct. Track Relaying Train is being used to renew the old existing track (rails and sleepers) with new ones.
- (c) As the name indicates, the Track Relaying Train comprises of Wagons carrying new sleepers. In the operation, the train picks up the old track, puts it on wagons, lays down new sleepers, picks up the new rails already placed by the side of the existing tracks and then lays rails on the sleepers in a continuous operation. This helps in speedy renewals with good quality of work and is a very useful machine to handle today`s heavy track.
- (d) Track Relaying Train machine can achieve a progress of one km. of tracks renewal in an effective traffic block of 4 hours.