

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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PRIVATISATION IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have allowed or propose to allow privatisation in a big way ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the new areas identified by the Railways for privatisation ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): There is no decision to allow privatization in a big way in Railways. However, a number of areas/activities such as upgradation of stations at major metropolitan cities, establishment of super specialty hospitals, setting up of manufacturing units for rolling stock, infrastructure projects for port connectivity through Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) and several activities in catering/tourism and hospitality area have been identified for possible execution through public- private partnership route.