

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3254  
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DEMANDS BY THE AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY  
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

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

- (a) whether the Railways are aware of the demand by the automobile industry to use its services extensively in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of volume of traffic handled by Railways to the automobile sector;
- (c) whether the Railways have any proposal to run triple-decker container trains to cope with demand from automobile sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the same is likely to be introduced?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) During the current financial year (upto August 2007) 140 rakes have been loaded with traffic from automobile sector.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Sir. The proposal for running of Triple Stack Container trains is under consideration and trials will be conducted after approval by Research, Designs & Standards Organization (RDSO).