

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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FREQUENCY OF BANGALORE-PATNA EXPRESS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the frequency of Bangalore- Patna express has been changed from tri-weekly to six days a week;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways are considering to make this express train a daily train in view of persistent and increasing demand in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the response of the Railways thereto?

Answer

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

(a): In the Rail Budget 2007-08, it has been announced to increase the frequency of Patna - Bangalore Sanghamitra Express from 2 days a week to 6 days a week during the year 2007-08.

(b) & (c): 2557/2558 Darbhanga- Bangalore Express (weekly) is already running on the path of the Patna - Bangalore Sanghamitra Express on the remaining day between Patna and Bangalore, thus resulting in a daily service for the passengers desirous of traveling between Patna and Bangalore.