

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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COOKING FREE RAILWAY STATIONS
Jagannath Dr. M.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to make railway stations `cooking-free`;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with progress made in this regard so far;
- (c) the names of the railway stations in the country proposed to be covered under the said scheme and the criteria adopted for their selection; and
- (d) the time by which these railway stations are likely to be made `cooking -free`?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA)

(a) to (d) : As per extant catering policy, there should be no cooking on platforms at suburban stations and for other categories of stations there should be an attempt for no cooking on stalls and trolleys on the platforms, except for making tea. All cooking should be done in the main kitchen.