

Rail route between Dindugil and Sabarimala

2625. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for a rail route between Dindugil and Sabarimala would be implemented;

(b) if so, the time limit for its implementation; and

(c) whether the Ministry would consider implementing the project from Dindigul toTheni, due to the growing commercial activities between Dindigul, Batalagondi, Periyakulam andTheni?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA):(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Food stalls for MNC's at Railway Stations

2626. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have taken a policy decision to allot food stalls at railway platforms to MNC's like McDonald's, Nirula, etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Fast track strategy for Railways

2627. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry, has suggested a fast track strategy to revamp the functioning of the Railways through a series of measures;

(b) if so, the measures suggested by ASSOCHAM; and

(c) Government's response to these suggestions?