

Music Facilities in Trains***60. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL:****SHRI C. HARIDAS:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that music facilities were earlier provided in certain running trains; if so, the names of such trains;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the railways had withdrawn that facility; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to provide the facility in all superfast Mail/Express trains in the near future; if so, the names of such trains and by when; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Public Address System for announcement with facility to play music exists on—

(i) Rajdhani Express between New Delhi-Howrah; and

(ii) Rajdhani Express between New Delhi-Bombay.

Similar facility was provided on the following trains:—

(i) Tamil Nadu Express

(ii) Sarvodaya Express

(iii) Garib-Nawaz Express

(iv) Andhra Pradesh Express

(b) Facility provided on the following trains has been discontinued:

(i) Tamil Nadu Express

(ii) Sarvodaya Express

(iii) Garib-Nawaz Express

(iv) Andhra Pradesh Express

The facility was discontinued for operational reason and difficulties in maintenance, namely—

(i) The facility can be provided only in A.C. coaches and such coaches have to be adjacent to each other;

(ii) Accommodation blocked by equipment and staff for operation and maintenance reduces accommodation available for use by passengers;

(iii) Divergent public opinion including serious criticism of the facility.

(c) It is proposed to provide announcement and music facilities on Rajdhani Trains only.

(d) Such facility can be provided satisfactorily for all passengers on fully air-conditioned Rajdhani Express trains only.

वनस्पति तेलों के उत्पादन में जानवरों की चरबी का प्रयोग

308. श्री प्यारेलाल खड्डेसवाल :
क्या ख.द्य तथा नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि वनस्पति तेलों के उत्पादन में जानवरों की चरबी और गाय की वसा का प्रयोग किया जा रहा है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनके प्रयोग को रोकने हेतु क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ?

ख.द्य तथा नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री भ. गवत झा आज़ाद) :

(क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।