

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) No, Sir. A new Catering Policy has been issued on 21.07.2010 which supersedes all prior policy circulars and which does not have such provision.

Conversion of sole proprietorship firm into a partnership firm

2778. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any objection for converting a sole proprietorship firm into a partnership firm regarding catering stall/book stall/Miscellaneous Articles stall/curio stall, etc., on Railways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) The conversion of a sole proprietorship firm into a partnership firm of catering stall/bookstall/Miscellaneous Articles stall/curio stalls is governed as per the terms and conditions incorporated in the agreement executed between the Railways and the firm.

New rail services in Uttar Pradesh

†2779. SHRI BRIJLAL KHABRI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pending proposals with Government for commencing new train service in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether Government has announced increase in the frequency of trains in the railway budget;

(c) if so, whether increase in the frequency of the said trains has begun; and

(d) if not, the time by when the frequency of these trains would be increased?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Indian Railways do not introduce train services on state-wise basis.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. Out of the 12 pairs of trains whose frequency was announced to be increased in the Railway Budget 2010-11, increase in frequency of 5 pairs of trains has already been done. Increase in frequency of trains announced in Railway Budget are done during the course of the financial year.

Train accidents

†2780. SHRI BALAVANT *ALLAS* BAL APTE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

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