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17. East Coast Railway	Talcher-Bimlagarh (154 km.)	
18. South Western Railway	Hospet-Hubli-Londa-Tinaighat-Vasco-de-Gama (352.28 km.)	

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The new policy has been issued by this Ministry dated 10.12.2012. There are 5 generic models – Non-Government, Railway Model, JV Model, Railway Projects on BOT awarded through Competitive Bidding, Capacity Augmentation with funding provided by customers and Capacity Augmentation-Annuity Model in which State Governments, Local Bodies, Beneficial Industries, Ports, Large import and export companies, Co-operative Societies and other Body Corporate, Infrastructure and Logistics providers, PIO/Overseas Corporate Bodies (OCB), Foreign Direct Investor and other Investors.

Connectivity of Bhopal with pilgrimage places of Uttarakhand

†1361. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no direct train to Haridwar, Rishikesh and Dehradun from Bhopal and whether Government is aware of this problem of millions of passengers travelling from Bhopal to pilgrimage sites of Uttarakhand;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Government to overcome this problem and the time frame by which this problem would be solved; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) to (c) Bhopal-Haridwar sector is presently being served by 2 pairs of trains *viz.* 12171/12172 Lokmanya Tilak (T) — Haridwar A.C. Express (Bi-weekly) and 12687/12688 Chennai-Dehradun Express (weekly). Similarly, Bhopal-Dehradun is being served by one pair of train *viz.* 12687/12688 Chennai-Dehradun Express (weekly). At present, there is no direct train between Bhopal and Rishikesh. However, introduction of trains on Indian Railways is an on-going process subject to operational feasibility, commercial viability and availability of resources etc.

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