

Train connectivity of Secunderabad and Raichur during day time

2285. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no train during day time from Secunderabad to Raichur; and

(b) if so, by when the facility would be provided to avoid inconvenience to passengers of both sides?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The DEMU service between Kacheguda and Raichur, announced in Railway Budget 2011-2012, would provide a day time service between Kacheguda and Raichur upon its introduction.

Utilisation of budget allocated for railways

†2286. SHRI KAPTAN SINGH SOLANKI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is not being able to properly utilise the budgetary allocation made for Railways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the failure to utilise the budget fully is the major reason behind non-completion of projects; and

(d) if so, whether Government has fixed responsibility in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) and (b) The Plan allocations under Budgetary sources in Revised Estimates and Actual in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 are given below:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Revised Estimates	Actual Expenditure	Variation
2010-11	30445	31012	567
2011-12	33151	30271	-2880
2012-13	36215	35242	-973

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

It would be seen that the expenditure during 2011-12 and 2012-13 was less than the allotments made, primarily due to regulation of expenditure in view of lesser internal resources generated.

(c) No, Sir. In view of scarcity of resources, the works have been prioritised so as to make optimum utilisation of available finances and ensure timely completion of last mile projects etc.

(d) Does not arise.

Shortage of TTEs

2287. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have shortage of TTEs;

(b) whether shortage of TTEs is a factor that influences passengers not to take tickets;

(c) if so, the shortage of TTE posts under each division of Railways; and

(d) the steps Railways are taking to fill up TTE vacancies on a priority across all railway zones in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Demand for train facilities

2288. SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Saurashtra region of Gujarat is having very low/inadequate train facilities and representations have been made to Railways for starting of new trains;

(b) whether Railways have received representations from various people/organisations/rail users and associations for starting new trains from Rajkot/Bhavnagar region of Saurashtra; and

(c) if so, by when the demand of people of Saurashtra is likely to be fulfilled?