

(d) No, Sir. CCTV cameras have not been installed in all women compartments and on all routes.

Presently, provision of CCTV on 500 coaches including for ladies compartments has been sanctioned. Provision of CCTV for ladies compartment shall be done progressively as induction of coaches and earmarking of ladies compartment in coaches is a continual process.

Upgradation of Doiwala railway station in Uttarakhand

1464. SHRI BISHNU CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Petitions Committee of Rajya Sabha had recommended for upgradation of Doiwala railway station in Uttarakhand, besides introducing a two minute stoppage for Shatabdi/Jan Shatabdi trains so as to enable seriously ill patients to avail medical facilities at Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences (HIMS); Tertiary Care Hospital, besides facilitating passengers by improving connectivity to the Jolly Grant Airport; and

(b) if so, the action taken to implement the recommendations of the Committee for initiating stoppage of these trains and expenditure incurred in the upgradation work of Doiwala station since presentation of the aforesaid report to Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) and (b) No recommendation has been received for upgradation of Doiwala station. However, Doiwala railway station has already been identified for development under Adarsh Station Scheme. Further, Doiwala station is presently being served by 05 pair of mail/express trains and 01 pair of passenger train which are providing direct connectivity to Dehradun where Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences (HIMS) is situated. The available services are considered adequate for the present level of traffic. Stoppage of Shatabdi/Jan Shatabdi Express trains at Doiwala station is not feasible, at present, due to operational and resource constraints. Further, Shatabdi Express trains are fully air-conditioned inter-city trains with very fast transit times and very tight scheduled with a limited number of stoppages en-route in order to reduce the travel time. These trains originate at a particular station in the morning and return back in the evening. Proliferation of stoppages will decelerate the train and delay its arrival at destination.