

Halt of Superfast trains at Satna

2482. SHRI B.R. APTE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 2142 Superfast train which departs from Lokmanya Tilak Terminus to Rajendranagar does not pass/halt at Satna;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have any plan to provide halt to the above train at Satna Jn.; and

(d) if so, by when the final decision in this regard would be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (d) 2141/2142 Lokmanya Tilak (T) Rajendranagar Express (4 days a week) is having operational stoppage at Satna. Provision of commercial stoppage of this train at Satna has not been found commercially justified.

Mud and waste along rail lines

2483. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that large quantity of mud water and other waste are lying dumped alongside rail lines in Punjab, thereby causing danger to Railway property, as well as to rail lines.

(b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted in this regard; and

(c) how Government propose to check this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Problem of dumping of mud water and waste in Railway boundary by local residents exists in approaches of major stations in Punjab area. However, suitable steps are taken to ensure safety of track.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) This issue is taken up with the civil authorities from time to time and waste etc. are removed through cleanliness drive.