GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFRAILWAYS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO12.11.2010 ANSWERED ON DAILY TRAIN BETWEEN GOA AND NEW DELHI .

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Shri Shantaram Naik

Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALCOALRAILWAYS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no daily train from or passing through Goa to New Delhi via the shortest route, which is Baroda;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Goa is used more as a corridor for passing trains from North to South than for giving any exclusive benefit to the State; and

(c) by when people of Goa will get a daily direct train to New Delhi, either originating from or passing through Goa via Baroda?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. However, Goa and Delhi are connected by a daily direct train no. 2779/2780 Vasco-Da-Gama – Nizamuddin Goa Express presently. In addition, 2449/2450 Madgaon-Nizamuddin Goa Sampark Kranti Express (bi-weekly) is also available via Vadodara.

There are 10 express and 6 passenger trains originating for various destinations from Goa, which has pitline and other maintenance infrastructure at the terminals of Vasco-Da-Gama and Madgaon. The occupation is full in 2779/2780 Vasco-Da-Gama – Nizamuddin Goa Express, the occupation of 2449/2450 Madgaon-Nizamuddin Goa Sampark Kranti Express is yet to reach saturation level in one direction.