

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2084
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2017**

INCREASE IN SPEED OF A.P. EXPRESS

2084. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is considering to increase the speed of A.P. Express Nos. 22415 and 22416 which runs from New Delhi-Visakhapatnam-New Delhi as the existing trains are taking more than 38 hours; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b) 22415/22416 Visakhapatnam-New Delhi AC AP Express with 19/20 stoppages enroute is only cleared to run at 110 Kmph for major part of the journey. This train connects important towns/cities of the State of Andhra Pradesh to other important towns enroute as well as the national capital. Given these constraints, any speeding up of 22415/22416 Visakhapatnam-New Delhi AC AP Express would necessarily mean upgradation of the maximum permissible speed of the train as well as reduction in the number of stoppages, which has not been found feasible yet.
