

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2145
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2017**

LHB COACHES

2145. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of LHB coaches presently in the railway system;**
- (b) the number of pending projects of converting coaches to LHB;
and**
- (c) the budget allocation for introducing more LHB coaches over the
last three years?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

**(a): Presently, around 5000 LHB (Linke Hofmann Busch) coaches are
running in Indian Railways.**

**(b): It has been planned to replace conventional coaches of
important Mail/Express trains by LHB coaches in a phased manner.**

It is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to availability of coaches, maintenance facility, Commissioner of Railway Safety (CRS) sanction, operational requirement etc. So far, nearly 185 rakes in 135 pairs of trains are running with LHB coaches.

(c): Total outlay for all types of coaches under the Rolling Stock Programme is as follows:

RE 2014-15	RE 2015-16	RE 2016-17
<input type="checkbox"/> 6007.14 crore	<input type="checkbox"/> 5614.4 crore	<input type="checkbox"/> 9672.09 crore

RE- Revised Estimates

The figure of Budgetary allocation for LHB coaches is not maintained separately. However, there has been an increase in the production of LHB coaches in the past 3 years as under:

Year	Total numbers
2014-15	555
2015-16	1044
2016-17 (upto February 2017)	1293
