

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3394  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2017**

**HIGH SPEED TRAINS**

**3394. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:  
SHRI C.R. PATIL:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to run the mail and express trains at high speed as compared with the present speed;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the details of the trains which have been converted into super fast trains; and**
- (c) the reasons to increase the passenger fare in super fast trains?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a): Yes, Madam.**

**(b): 52 pairs of trains have been speeded up and converted into Superfast category. However, speeding up of trains is a continuous exercise over Indian Railways and is done keeping in view the operational feasibility, availability of sectional speed on line, high speed compatible coaches, high power locos etc.**

**‘Mission Raftaar’ has been announced in the Railway Budget 2016-17. The mission envisages, inter alia, increasing the average speed of**

**all non-suburban passenger trains by 25 kmph in next 5 years. A cross functional Mobility Directorate has been created in Railway Board for this purpose.**

**(c): The fare of Superfast trains has not been increased. However, there is a levy of Supplementary charge for Superfast trains.**

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