

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 340
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2017**

AC COACHES

†*340. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is aware that people are facing difficulty due to lesser number of AC coaches in train No. 15273/ 15274 Satyagraha Express and in train No. 12557/12558;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of AC coaches in the aforesaid trains; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI SURESH PRABHAKAR PRABHU)**

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO.340 BY SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY TO BE
ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2017 REGARDING AC COACHES**

(a) to (d) 15273/15274 Raxaul-Delhi Satyagraha Express (daily) via Bareilly-Gonda-Gorakhpur-Narkatiaganj and 12557/12558 Muzaffarpur-Anand Vihar (T) Sapt Kranti Express (daily) via Moradabad-Lucknow-Gorakhpur-Narkatiaganj are running with maximum permissible load of 24 coaches. Presently, 15273/15274 Raxaul-Delhi Satyagraha Express have 12 general class, 6 sleeper class, 3 AC III Tier class, one 1st cum 2nd AC class and 2 SLR/SLRD coaches while 12557/12558 Muzaffarpur-Anand Vihar (T) Sapt Kranti Express have five general class, three AC III Tier class, one AC II Tier class, one First AC class and 2 SLR/SLRD coaches in their composition. As 15273/15274 Raxaul-Delhi Satyagraha Express is a long distance and an overnight train and introduced much earlier to 12557/12558 Muzaffarpur-Anand Vihar (T) Sapt Kranti Express, it is proposed to provide better facilities to passengers by increasing the component of reserved coaches. Accordingly, it is planned to increase one AC 3 Tier class coach and 3 sleeper class coaches in lieu of 4 general class coaches (out of 12) in the composition of 15273/15274 Raxaul-Delhi Satyagraha Express. The revised composition will be 8 general class, 9 sleeper class, 4 AC III Tier class and one 1st cum 2nd AC class coaches and 2 SLR/SLRD coaches. Changing the composition of 12557/12558 Muzaffarpur-Anand Vihar (T) Sapt Kranti Express which is running with maximum permissible load is not feasible presently as any augmentation in AC 3 Tier class coaches here would lead to reduction in sleeper coaches which is highly patronized.
