GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 917 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2017

LOCAL TRAIN SERVICES

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is going to introduce additional local train services on its suburban networks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the list of routes selected for the purpose;
- (c) whether this will reduce passenger burden across the routes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a) to (d): During the current financial year i.e. 2017-18, 95 new suburban train services have been introduced over Indian Railways. The details of the routes on which the new suburban train services have been introduced are as under:
 - i. Barasat-Hasnabad section
- ii. Sonarpur-Diamond Harbour section
- iii. Diamond Harbour-Baruipur section
- iv. Sealdah-Diamond Harbour section
- v. Tarakeswar-Arambagh section

- vi. Chennai Central-Avadi section
- vii. Chennai Beach-Tiruvallur section
- viii. Tiruvallur-Avadi section
 - ix. Chengalpattu-Tirumalpur section
 - x. Churchgate-Dahanu Road section

Introduction of additional train services will benefit the travelling passengers by increasing capacity and improving connectivity.

Besides, introduction of additional suburban trains is an ongoing process subject to various factors, inter-alia, including sectional capacity utilization, availability of rolling stock, maintenance and stabling facilities, traffic justification etc.
