

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4354
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018**

TRAIN SERVICE TO COLONIES

†4354. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various colonies having population between 15,000 to 20,000 are still not linked with trains ;**
- (b) if so, the facts in this regard;**
- (c) whether the Government has set any target in terms of time frame to connect said colonies with trains; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Railway projects are not sanctioned based on population of colonies. Railway projects are considered based on demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives and Railways' own requirement, participation by State Government or private entities etc. They are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes. As on date, Indian Railways has a throwforward of approx. ₹3.02 lakh Crores of ongoing New line projects.

(c) & (d): Do not arise.
