GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 798 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018

INCREASING SPEED OF TRAINS

798. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the speed of trains especially those covering long distance to improve the overall punctuality to be observed for all intermittent train stoppage stations; and
- (b) if so, the detailed list of the trains identified for the purpose, zone wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Speeding up of trains is a constant endeavour and continuous process on Indian Railways and is dependent on constant optimization of the investments made by Railways in modernization of technology, high powered locos, modern coaches and better tracks. Accordingly, during 2017, speed of 51 trains has been increased to reduce the journey time ranging between 1 hour to 6 hours. However, at present there is no further proposal to increase the speed of trains to improve the overall punctuality of trains at intermediate stoppages.
