

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.875
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018**

STANDARDIZATION OF COACHES

875. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is planning to rationalize the number of coaches in trains;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives thereto;**
- (c) whether the Government has formed a Committee to suggest standard number of coaches for all trains;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said committee is likely to submit its report to the Government; and**
- (e) whether extra infrastructure is required for the standardization of coaches and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a) & (b) Rationalization of rakes is an on-going process over Indian Railways and *inter-alia* is aimed at improving utilization of coaching stock, ensuring punctual running of trains, releasing maintenance slots and improving turn-around time.**
- (c) No, Madam.**
- (d) Does not arise.**
- (e) Yes, Madam. In some cases, up-gradation of infrastructural facilities like lengthening of platform/pit line etc, may be required.**
