

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.913  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018**

**QUALITY OF FOOD IN TEJAS EXPRESS**

**913. SHRI G. HARI:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is true that the Railways internal inquiry report has concluded that the quality of the food served on board the Tejas Express was satisfactory and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether it is also true that more than 25 passengers were hospitalized due to food poisoning after consuming breakfast on the Tejas train between Goa and Mumbai and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether it is also true that an omelette sample was not sent for testing and the omelette served to the passengers on board the Tejas Express was the epidemic centre of the incident which led to hospitalization of more than 25 passengers; and**
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. An incident was reported in Train No. 22120 (Karmali –Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus) Tejas Express on 15/10/2017 regarding suspected food poisoning by several passengers. 26 passengers fell ill after consuming breakfast.**

**(c) & (d): As per the report of the SAG (Senior Administrative Grade) level committee of Railway Officers constituted by Railway Board which conducted a detailed enquiry into the incident, samples of omelette served in the breakfast were not available. However, whatever samples could be collected on arrival of the train at Panvel were taken for testing and found normal as per the report of BMC (Brihan Mumbai Municipal Corporation) test laboratory.**

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