

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3661
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2018**

DE-RESERVED COACHES

3661. SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide more de-reserved coaches in long distance trains for the convenience of the short distance passengers and season ticket holders;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Southern Railway has sent proposals for sanctioning de-reserved coaches in long distance train from Ernakulam to Thiruvananthapuram;

**(d) if so, the details of the train and the steps taken in this regard;
and**

(e) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) and (b):` The powers have been delegated to General Managers of Zonal Railways to declare requisite number of sleeper class coaches as second class unreserved coaches on a particular section where sleeper class coaches are running empty or in locked condition due to insufficient demand.

(c) to (e): Southern Railway has already de-reserved requisite number of sleeper class coaches as second class coach over certain sections in 27 trains.

Further, General Manager's sanction has been obtained to de-reserve sleeper coaches over nominated sections (Ernakulam-Thiruvananthapuram and Shoranur-Thiruvananthapuram for 13 more down trains originating from other zones. The respective zones have been advised to implement the changes in the 13 trains from 01.12.2018 onwards.
