

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1701
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2019**

PROFITABILITY OF TRAINS

1701. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has tried to assess the profitability of various Duranto, Rajdhani and Shatabdi trains run by Central Government and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the number of Duranto/Rajdhani/Shatabdi trains currently being run by the Government, zone-wise; and**
- (c) the details of new such trains proposed in the country?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1701 BY SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2019 REGARDING PROFITABILITY OF TRAINS.

(a): Train-wise figures of profitability are not calculated as a matter of routine. However, tentative profitability study of selected trains had been done which, prima facie, indicated that some of these trains did not achieve break break-even point.

(b): The Zone-wise detail (on the basis of primary maintenance) of Duranto/Rajdhani /Shatabdi Express trains run over Indian Railways is as under:

S.No.	Zonal Railways	Duranto Exp. (in single)	Rajdhani Exp. (in single)	Shatabdi Exp. (in single)
1.	Central	8	2	2
2.	Eastern	6	6	2
3.	East Central	-	2	-
4.	East Coast	2	6	2
5.	Northern	6	20	28
6.	North Central	2	-	2
7.	North Eastern	-	-	-
8.	North East Frontier	-	2	6
9.	North Western	-	-	-
10.	Southern	4	-	4
11.	South Central	6	-	-
12.	South Eastern	8	2	-
13.	South East Central	-	-	-
14.	South Western	2	2	2
15.	Western	8	6	2
16.	West Central	-	-	-
17.	Konkan Railway	-	-	-

(c): Introduction of new trains including Duranto/Rajdhani/Shatabdi Express is an ongoing process subject to operational feasibility, availability of resources, traffic justification etc. Recently, w.e.f. 19.01.2019, 22221/22222- Mumbai CST-Hazrat Nizamuddin Rajdhani Express (Bi-weekly) has been introduced.