

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 178
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

RAIL SERVICES TO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS

**†*178. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:
SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of district headquarters in various States and Union Territories (UTs) deprived of train services;**
- (b) the number of such district headquarters in various States and UTs where broad gauge rail service has not been started so far;**
- (c) whether the Railways has any plan to provide train services to such district headquarters;**
- (d) if so, the time by which the train service is likely to be provided and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (e) the details of the plan of the Railways to link all district headquarters of Uttar Pradesh and Rajsamand District of Rajasthan by rail network?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI SURESH PRABHAKAR PRABHU)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 178 BY SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE
AND SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA
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(a) to (d): Indian Railways do not run new train services on State-wise/District-wise/Union-Territory basis as railway network and train operations between originating & terminating stations lying on various Zonal Railways cut across State/District boundaries. This is an ongoing process subject to traffic demand, availability of necessary infrastructure, resources etc.

(e): Railway Network straddles across Districts/Regions in different States and it is not feasible to plan District-wise connectivity. However, it is Railways' endeavour to provide connectivity to various parts of the country, including backward and remote areas.
