

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1053
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2016**

SAARC REGIONAL RAIL AGREEMENT

**1053. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any formal discussions have been held on the possibility of having a rail agreement on the draft SAARC Regional Rail Agreement; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. During the 18th SAARC Summit held in Kathmandu, Nepal from 26th to 27th November 2014 and in the earlier SAARC meetings held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 19-20 June, 2013 and in New Delhi on 30th September, 2014, discussions took place on the SAARC Regional Rail Agreement to boost connectivity in the SAARC region.
