

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1967  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

**TRAIN HALTS**

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

- (a) the details of guidelines and norms stipulated to give stoppages to the trains in the country;**
- (b) the proposals regarding giving stoppages to various trains received during each of the last three years and the current year;**
- (c) the action taken by the Government on these proposals;**
- (d) whether the Government is thinking of giving stoppage at Tadvada station (Kalam station) of Marathwada and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the Government has received representations from public representatives to give stoppages to mail/ express trains at Tumsar Road Junction in Maharashtra; and**
- (f) if so, the action taken by the Railways on the said representations?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

**(a): The policy guidelines relating to provision of stoppages of Mail/Express trains, inter alia, stipulates to consider the following factors:**

**(1) Total sale of tickets at the station for both UP & DN direction for all the trains already stopping at the station, distance wise, class-wise &**

**cost-wise (2) trains already stopping/availability of alternative services, convenience & occupancy of the existing services (3) effect on line capacity of the section and punctuality of trains (4) population & significance of towns/cities & new developments taking place (5) nature of the train & occupancy of the train for which stoppage is demanded (6) operational constraints etc. (7) pattern of traffic at the station (8) passing time of the train at the station.**

**Also, the policy guidelines for provision of stoppages to trains is available on the official website of the Indian Railways viz. “[www.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.indianrailways.gov.in)”.**

**(b) & (c): Requests for provisions of stoppages of various trains are received from various quarters including State Governments and Members of Parliament at different levels of railway administration viz. Railway Stations, Divisions, Zonal Headquarters, Railway Board Level etc., and subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources etc., action as found feasible and justified is taken. However, a compendium of such proposals is not maintained by Indian Railways.**

**(d): No, Madam.**

**(e) & (f): Yes, Madam. However, at present, there is no proposal to provide stoppage of Mail/Express trains at Tumsar Road station due to operational and resource constraints.**

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