

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1745
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016**

EXTENSION OF MACHILIPATNAM EXPRESS

1745. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has received any representation with regard to extension of Machilipatnam Express up to Kadapa railway station and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the decision taken by the Railways thereon; and**
- (c) the funds earmarked and released by the Railways therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) A large number of representations are received at various level of Railway administration which *inter-alia* include Railway stations, Divisions, Zonal headquarters and at Railway Board's level for extension of trains. However, Indian Railways do not maintain compendium of such representations.**
- (b) Extension of trains is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification, commercial viability etc. However, at present it is not feasible to extend T. No. 17402/17401 Machilipatnam–Tirupati Express up to Cuddapah due to non-availability of rake maintenance facilities at Cuddapah.**
- (c) If found feasible, extension of a train is done either by utilizing the same rake if sufficient lie-over time is available or by inducting an additional rake if lie-over time is less and additional rake is available.**
