## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1761 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016

## **INTRODUCTION OF RAJDHANI EXPRESS**

## 1761. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to introduce Rajdhani Express from Amaravati-Vijayawada to New Delhi via Visakhapatnam, Nagpur and Raipur; 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): Rajdhani Express class of trains are long distance fast moving prestigious trains, primarily meant for connecting National capital and State capitals running on very tight timings with limited halts enroute. At present, there is no proposal to start a new Rajdhani Express from Amaravati/Vijayawada to New Delhi *via* Visakhapatnam, Nagpur and Raipur due to operational and resource constraints. However, introduction of new trains including Rajdhani Express trains is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc.

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