

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1661
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2016**

PUNCTUALITY OF TRAINS

†1661. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take cognizance of the trains running behind schedule at the Jabalpur station of West-Central zone and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether reasons for the aforesaid delay have been identified by the Government if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government to ensure the punctuality of the trains?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Some trains get delayed while approaching Jabalpur station as the station yard has certain operational constraints. For example, all movements of trains between the maintenance yard and the platforms of Jabalpur station have cross movement infringing the Up and Down through lines. Though movements of trains between maintenance yard and platform lines are done as per scheduled path, at times trains coming to Jabalpur station get detained outside if they are running late/out of path when scheduled placement of rakes to

the platforms and vice versa is being done. Such delays are further aggravated, though rarely, when the signalling arrangements develop technical snag or other assets fail even for a short duration.

(c) However, various measures have been taken to minimize detention to trains at Jabalpur station such as sensitization of staff to resort to efficient and judicious movement in shunting operations, preventing asset failures and their down time by way of preventive maintenance etc. As a result, there is significant improvement in originating and terminating punctuality of Jabalpur station which is 84% and 74% respectively during April-June 2016 as compared to 66% and 52% respectively during April-June 2015.
