GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1727 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2018

Progress of Accessible India campaign

1727. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the target of making 50 per cent of Government buildings of the National Capital and State Capitals, all domestic airports, 50 per cent railway stations and 25 per cent public transport fully accessible under the Accessible India Campaign has been achieved;
- (b) whether the target of ensuring that 50 per cent of public documents issued by the Central and State governments meet accessibility standards has been achieved; and
- (c) if so, the details of achievements made in respect of part (a) and (b) and if not, the progress thereof till date, city-wise in respect of part (a)?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

(a) to (c): under the Accessible India Campaign, access audit of 1662 buildings in 50 cities including State Capitals were completed by auditors. The access audit reports were forwarded to the State Governments for seeking retrofitting proposals. On receipt of the of Rs.264.91 crore have been sanctioned for 910 buildings. The details are at Annexure I.

It has been informed by the Ministry of Civil Aviation that all 48 Domestic Airports have been provided with accessibility features, namely, ramps, accessible toilets and lifts with Braille symbols and auditory signals.

Ministry of Railways has informed that 1131 railway stations have been provided with seven short term facilities, such as, ramps ,lifts, parking etc. and 1288 railway stations have been provided with two long term facilities i.e engraving on edges of platforms and inter-platform facilities.

As per the information provided by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, at present 8.4% of public transport carriers (bus) have been made accessible.

Regarding accessibility of public documents, it has been informed by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) that accessibility guidelines had been issued on 28.5.2015 to all the Central Ministries/ Departments and State Governments/UTs for making all the Government notifications/circulars accessible.

In the Central Advisory Board meeting held on 5th October, 2018, the targets of making government buildings, Airports, Railway Stations, Public Transports and Public documents accessible have been revised to August, 2019.

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