GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 463 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022

EK UTPAD, EK STATION

463 # SMT. SEEMA DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have launched any plan to link the railway stations of the country in line with the" "Ek Utpad, Ek station" to implement the theme of "Vocal for Local" at the ground level, if so, the time when it has been implemented, the number of railway stations and local products included under this plan; and

(b) if not, whether Railways would propose this plan through which the local entrepreneurs may be made self-reliant by providing sufficient incentives for the production and marketing of the products of farmers, craftsmen and manufacturers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a): Yes, Sir. Ministry of Railways has launched 'One Station One Product' (OSOP) scheme over Indian Railways with objectives to promote 'Vocal for Local' vision of the Government of India, provide a market for local/indigenous products and create additional income opportunities for the marginalised sections of society. Under the scheme, OSOP outlets at railway stations are allotted for showcasing, selling and giving high visibility to indigenous /local products. Allotment is done to all applicants on a rotation basis who meet objectives of the scheme. The pilot of the scheme was started on 25.03.2022 and presently 535 stations are covered with 572 OSOP outlets. Product categories, under this scheme, include the following:

- 1. Handicrafts/ Artefacts
- 2. Textiles and Handlooms
- 3. Traditional Garments
- 4. Local agricultural produce/ Processed/semi processed foods.

(b): Does not arise.