GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1387 ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

ADDITIONAL TRAINS IN SWRZ

1387. SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the detail of profitable rail routes in South Western Railway Zone (SWRZ) and plan to increase more trains in such rail routes;

(b) the detail of saturated rail routes in SWRZ and plan to address situation;

(c) the detail on introduction of Vande Bharat Sleeper trainset between Mysuru-New Delhi and Bengaluru-Mumbai;

(d) whether it is a fact that between Guntakal (GTL) and Kalyan (KYN) railway stations Train No. 12164 takes 12:37 Hrs whereas Train No. 11302 takes 16:22 Hrs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof regarding huge transit time difference and efforts to have at par transit time?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND

ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1387 BY SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 06.12.2024 REGARDING ADDITIONAL TRAINS IN SWRZ

(a) to (e): Bengaluru-Mumbai sector and Mysuru-Delhi sector are presently being served by 17 pairs and 01 pair of train services respectively. Introduction of train services including Vande Bharat train services and its variants is an ongoing process on Indian Railways, subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources, etc.

To augment and increase line capacity of rail network situated in South Western Railway, as on 01.04.2024, total 22 Railway Projects (15 New Lines and 07 Doubling), of total length of 2,101 Km, costing ₹25,670 crore falling fully/partly in South Western Railway are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 657 Km length has been commissioned. The summary is as under:-

| Plan Head | No. of projects | Total Length | Length Commissioned |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|
| | | (in Km) | (in Km) |
| New Line | 15 | 1,330 Km | 159 Km |
| Doubling /Multitracking | 7 | 771 Km | 498 Km |
| Total | 22 | 2,101 Km | 657 Km |

Further, the survey of total 38 projects (16 new lines and 22 doubling) of total length 4,104 Km in South Western Railway have been sanctioned during last three year (2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and current financial year 2024-25).

The speed and running time of passenger carrying trains, which are operated as per charted Time-Table, are dependent on various factors like nature of service, number of stoppages en-route, availability of the path, maintenance block, etc. Further, Rail route wise profitability is not maintained.
