GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2504 ANSWERED ON 21.03.2025

ICF COACHES FOR AMRIT BHARAT TRAINS

2504 SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has initiated the manufacturing of 50 Amrit Bharat Version 2.0 trains at the Integral Coach Factory (ICF) within the next two years, if so, the key features that have been enhanced;
- (b) the manner in which these improvements are expected to benefit low and middle-income families by providing affordable and high-quality travel experiences;
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure collaboration between Central and State governments for land acquisition to facilitate this project; and
- (d) whether new designs in pantry cars and other features will enhance passenger comfort and safety, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) Ministry of Railways has initiated the manufacturing of 50 Amrit Bharat Version trains at Integral Coach Factory (ICF), Chennai and Rail Coach Factory (RCF), Kapurthala.

These trains have been designed and manufactured to cater to the needs of general public by providing World-class modern and comfortable rail travel experience to passengers of Non-AC segment.

High Speed, enhanced Safety standards and world class Service are the hallmarks of this train with following enhanced features and amenities:

- i. Better aesthetics of seat and berths with enhanced look & feel on the lines of Vande Bharat Sleeper.
- ii. Jerk Free Semi-Automatic Couplers.
- iii. Improved Crashworthiness in coaches by provision of crash tube.
- iv. Provision of CCTV system in all coaches and Luggage room.
- v. Improved designs of toilets.

- vi. Improved design of Ladder for ease of climbing on to the berth.
- vii. Provision of EP assisted braking system.
- viii. Aerosol based fire suppression system in toilets and electrical cubicles.
- ix. USB Type-A and Type-C mobile charging sockets.
- x. Non-AC pantry with enhanced heating capacity.
- xi. Fully sealed gangways with quick release mechanism for easy attachment and detachment.

These coaches have been planned to be manufactured at Indian Railway Production Units.
