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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1566**  
**ANSWERED ON 12.12.2025**

**TRANSPARENCY OF DATA IN RAILWAYS**

1566 # SHRI SHAMBHU SHARAN PATEL:

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the data relating to number of passengers, revenue, occupancy and freight performance (including volumes, rates and wagon turnarounds) is stored, along with frequency and granularity thereof;
- (b) the standardized system used for recording project-wise capital expenditure, sanctioned cost, actual expenditure, implementation timeline and cost escalation;
- (c) whether the data relating to the said passenger/freight performance and project-wise capital expenditure, along with their data-schema and metadata, for the last five financial years, is proposed to be made public in machine-readable format; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) to (d): Ministry of Railways maintains data on different facets of Indian Railway's working, broadly having Financial, Operating, Commercial, Assets utilization, Accidents and Administrative statistics. Data is collected from all the 17 Zonal Railways and is centrally compiled in accordance with Manual of Statistical Instructions. To maintain accuracy of the data, these datasets are cross-checked and verified at various levels.

It has always been an endeavour of this Ministry to ensure that all data relating to the Railway's working and performance is readily available for information to the general public and stakeholders. For this purpose, Annual Statistical Statement, alongwith other Statistical

publications, containing data, facts & figures is being uploaded every year on the Ministry of Railway's website since Financial Year 2005-06.

The project wise details are maintained as per codal provisions of Indian Railway's Code for the Engineering Department and Indian Railway Finance Code alongwith respective Manuals.

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