GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 117 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.11.2016

TRIALS OF TALGO TRAINS

117. SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Talgo train technology is fit to run in any conditions and terrain on Indian Railways and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Talgo could negotiate curves and climb any hills at much faster speed compared to conventional Indian trains and if so, the facts thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has placed the work orders to manufacture the Talgo trains for the Indian Railways and decided the likely manufacturing base and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether some experts have lodged their dissatisfaction over trial results of the Talgo trains; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the Government's reaction thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a): Talgo train technology is suitable to run on the existing tracks of Indian Railways.
- (b): Field trials of Talgo coaches were carried out on existing New Delhi-Mumbai route and during these trials Talgo coaches successfully negotiated curves and gradients on this route at higher speeds compared to conventional coaches.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): No such communication has been received in the Ministry.
- (e): Does not arise.