GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3606 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2016

INCREASING NON-FARE REVENUES

3606. SHRI JOSE K. MANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in a move to increase non-fare revenues, the Railways is in talks with e-Commerce companies for on-board sales of their merchandise in reserved compartments and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether this move will help in curbing the presence and movement of unauthorised and illegal vendors/hawkers on board and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the railways is also keen to invite bids from cab aggregators like Uber and Ola, to tap the rail passenger market and use space outside the railway stations; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. Indian Railways are exploring avenues for increasing non-fare revenue from multiple sources, including e-commerce and cab aggregators.
