# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5286 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2017

#### **LOSS IN WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY ZONE**

#### †5286. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the West Central Railway Zone, Jabalpur has incurred losses on account of freight;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said loss is already being compensated from the passenger trains being run on subsidy and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any measures to end the dependency on passenger trains for income of the Railways; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

#### **MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

## (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5286 BY SHRI RAKESH SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2017 REGARDING LOSS IN WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY ZONE

- (a) & (b): Zonal Railways do not maintain profit & loss account of freight and passenger separately.
- (c): No, Madam. Revenue from passenger earning was 26.3% and from freight was 71.4% of the total earnings during 2015-16.
- (d)&(e): Evaluation of various alternatives relating to rationalisation of Passenger fare and Freight structure is an on-going process. To improve freight share of Railways, Ministry of Railways has introduced schemes for procurement of wagons (Rolling stock) through Public Private Partnership mode and thereby increase freight revenue of the Railways. These Schemes are inter-alia Liberalized Wagon Investment Scheme (LWIS), Special Freight Train Operator (SFTO) and Wagon Leasing Scheme (WLS).

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