

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 582
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017**

REFURBISHING OLD COACHES

**582. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI HARI MANJHI:
SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:
SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether at present, 80 per cent of coaches in service are old and if so, the details in this regard;**
- (b) whether the Railways is not only launching new trains but also refurbishing old coaches and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the expenditure incurred/likely to be incurred thereon;**
- (d) whether any target has been fixed by the Government in this regard; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the plan prepared and the progress made so far in this regard?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): No, Madam. Replacement of in-service coaches from trains on age-cum-condition basis is a continual process.

(b): Indian Railways (IR) carries out the work of refurbishing of coaches in order to provide better interiors, ambience and amenities, including inter alia, new seats / berths, improved lighting, upgraded toilets, mobile charging points, etc.

(c) to (e): Refurbishment of in-service coaches is a continual effort of IR and sanction for funds is accordingly being asked from time to time. Sanction is available at present for the refurbishing of 7,200 coaches, at a total sanctioned cost of ₹ 2041.8 crore, which is being operated in a phased manner.
