GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 594 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017

SURVEY OF CLEANLINESS OF TRACKS

†594. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have got a survey of railway stations regarding sanitation conducted by the Quality Council of India and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether a decision has been taken to conduct a survey to clean the railway tracks across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether waste and sewage flushed from the trains into the tracks create a lot of problems in train operation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the sanitation work is likely to be started?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) Yes, Madam. Indian Railways has got a survey conducted by Quality Council of India on assessment of cleanliness standards of major railway stations (A1 and A category) based on Process Evaluation, Direct Observations and Citizen Feedback.

- (b) No, Madam.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Madam. Corrosion of rails and fittings takes place due to toilet droppings from open discharge of toilets in passenger trains. To overcome this problem, Indian Railways has been fitting bio-toilets in coaches since 2010-11.
