

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 234
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018**

MECHANISED CLEANING SYSTEM

***234. SHRI G. HARI:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has decided to use a state-of-the-art mechanized cleaning system at the railway stations;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the said system will now be used for comprehensive cleaning of all platforms, circulating areas and footover bridges in the station premises; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 234 BY SHRI G. HARI TO BE ANSWERED
IN LOK SABHA ON 03.01.2018 REGARDING MECHANISED CLEANING
SYSTEM**

(a) to (d) Yes, Madam. One of the initiatives taken to maintain cleanliness standard at station premises is introduction of mechanized cleaning at major stations over Indian Railways. The mechanized cleaning system is used for comprehensive cleaning of all platforms, circulating area, foot over bridges, retiring rooms, waiting rooms etc. in the stations premises where conducive surface like tiles/kota stone is available. The station cleaning activities are carried out through mechanized means by using High pressure water jets, mechanised floor scrubber, vacuum cleaner, flippers, Battery Operated Push/ Ride on Scrubber, High Pressure Jet, Wet & Dry vacuum cleaner etc. along with the requisite manpower. The activity is outsourced to professional agencies to maintain high standard of cleanliness on the Railway station and its premises. In order to have effective waste disposal system, concrete washable aprons on platform tracks with jet cleaning arrangements are provided at important stations where long distance trains stop in the morning hours, to facilitate cleaning of night soil by washing into side drains and its subsequent discharge away from stations.
