### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2645 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018

#### **OVERHAULING OF RAILWAY COACHES**

#### 2645. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.: SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that during recent safety audits, it has been found that many hundreds of railway coaches have not been overhauled or serviced periodically;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has allocated any funds for the periodic overhauling/servicing of railway coaches and if so, the details thereof and the action taken / being taken in this regard;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to replace the old, damaged and outdated rail coaches with new ones; and
- (e) the details of the coaches replaced in the last three years, zonewise?

#### ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam, All the coaches running on Indian Railways are periodically overhauled as prescribed in maintenance manuals/instructions.

(c): The Government has allocated ₹8560 crore for the periodic overhauling/servicing of railway coaches in Budget Estimates 2017-18.

(d) & (e): Acquisition of new coaches for replacement of over-aged stock is a continuous process on Indian Railways. Coaches are replaced after attaining their prescribed codal life or prematurely in case of heavy damage to structural members. The details of the coaches replaced in the last three years, zone-wise are as under:-

Zonal Railway	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Central Railway	128	78	147
Eastern Railway	135	92	124
Northern Railway	148	219	229
North Eastern Railway	38	132	29
Northeast Frontier Railway	61	53	59
Southern Railway	217	112	270
South Central Railway	83	127	150
South Eastern Railway	56	93	84
Western Railway	90	150	157
East Central Railway	26	37	28
East Coast Railway	36	38	65
North Central Railway	18	22	33
North Western Railway	49	36	51
South East Central Railway	24	17	29
South Western Railway	64	67	103
West Central Railway	83	12	26
TOTAL	1256	1285	1584

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