GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1991 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.03.2018

LOSSES IN MUMBAI LOCAL RAILWAY SERVICES

†1991 . SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether for the last several years, huge losses are being incurred on local train services in metropolitan areas of Mumbai;
- (b) if so, the details of income and expenditure for the last three years;
- (c) the measures being taken to check losses in these services and make them profitable to some extent;
- (d) whether the Railways have considered to commercially develop the local railway stations of Mumbai in order to increase its income; and
- (e) if so, the details of the progress made in this regard?

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1991 BY SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE AND SHRI ARVIND SAWANT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.03.2018 REGARDING LOSSES IN MUMBAI LOCAL RAILWAY SERVICES

(a) & (b): Indian Railway is incurring losses by running local train services in metropolitan areas of Mumbai. The income and expenditure for the last three years are as under:

(in ₹ Crore)

Year	Earnings	Expenditure	Profit/Loss (-)
2014-15	1640.63	3066.82	(-) 1426.19
2015-16	1708.22	3185.77	(-) 1477.55
2016-17	1857.31	3234.07	(-) 1376.76
Total	5206.16	9486.66	(-) 4280.50

- (c): Measures being taken to make these services break even or make some profits as well are as follows:
- (i) Full advertisement rights on outside of Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) rakes.
- (ii) Sponsored commercial announcements and Light Emitting Diode (LED) displays inside the coaches.
- (iii) Introduction of Paperless Mobile ticketing apps.
- (iv) Currency/Coin cum card operated Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVMs).
- (v) Introduction of Yatri Ticket Suvidha Kendra (YTSK) & Jansadharan Ticket Booking Seva (JTBS) to sell Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) tickets.
- (vi) Introduction of SMART Cards facilitating ticketing.
- (vii) Re-enforcing constant and strict barrier checking to catch and penalise commuters travelling without valid travel authorities.
- (viii) Continuous review of Overtime claims by Running staff,

 Commercial staff and other technical staff.

(d) & (e): Mumbai local stations fall in the category of suburban stations and categorized as 'C' category stations. The present scheme for redevelopment of stations covers 'A-1' & 'A' category stations. Accordingly, Mumbai Central, Bandra Terminus, Dadar, Thane, Kalyan, Lokmanya Tilak Terminus & Mumbai CST stations which fall under 'A-1' category are planned to be offered for redevelopment by leveraging commercial potential of vacant sparable land/airspace.
