GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3211 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018

JAN AUSHADHI STORES AT RAILWAY STATIONS

3211. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is considering to set up Jan Aushadhi stores at stations across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the railway stations will also have multipurpose stalls and quick service restaurants that will offer high end services to passengers; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with its aims and objectives?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b) & (c): A new Multipurpose Stall Policy was issued on 05/09/2017 wherein all miscellaneous/curio stalls, bookstalls, chemist stalls/corners have been brought under Multi Purpose Stalls (MPS). The main objective is to facilitate the passenger to buy items required during the travel under one roof and simultaneously ensuring

decongestion of platforms by optimum utilization of the available space on stations and platforms.

There is no concept of setting-up of Quick Service Restaurants in Catering Policy 2017. However, to provide hygienic, good quality multi-cuisine food items to the traveling public at market driven rates Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC) has already set up high end premium outlets like Food Plaza, Fast Food Unit, Food Court etc. At present, IRCTC is managing 239 Food Plazas/Fast Food Units/Food Court over Indian Railways.
