

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6046
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2018**

REPLACEMENT OF DIESEL ENGINES BY ELECTRIC ENGINES

6046. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has decided to replace diesel engines by electric engines and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the orders placed for diesel engines will be cancelled and that the cancellation of such orders will be expensive for the railways and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Railways has decided to abandon the proposed diesel engine making projects; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

- (a) Indian Railways is planning to convert existing fleet of Diesel Locomotives into Electric Locomotives in a phased manner. Work related to conversion of 100 HHP Diesel Locomotives and 100 ALCO Diesel locomotives has been sanctioned under Pink Book 2018-19. Further, trains are taken over on electric traction on commissioning of electrified routes.**

In order to cater to the requirement of electric locomotives commensurate with large scale electrification and commissioning of electrified routes, the production/acquisition target of electric engines has been increased to 352 in 2017-18, 603 in 2018-19 and 725 in 2019-20.

(b) No, Madam.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.
