

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1259
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018**

ENVIRONMENT-FRIENDLY TOILETS

1259. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways plans to install environment-friendly toilets in railway coaches;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the status of implementation of the project and timeline for its completion; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) and (b) Yes, Madam. Indian Railways have planned to install environment-friendly bio-toilets in railway coaches. For this, all new coaches, being turned out from coach Production Units of Indian Railways, are fitted with bio-toilets and all railway workshops have been instructed to retro-fit bio-toilets in all the existing in-service eligible coaches undergoing mid-life rehabilitation and periodical overhaul. Retro-fitment of bio-toilets is also being done in coaching depots.

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(c) As of now, approximately 70% of the total passenger carrying coaches over Indian Railways have been installed with bio-toilets and it is proposed to complete the work of installation of bio-toilets in balance coaches by the year 2019.

(d) Does not arise.
