GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2408 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2018

TOURIST TRAIN ON RAMAYANA CIRCUIT

2408. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH: SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways plans to launch a special tourist train on the Ramayana circuit covering the places associated with the Hindu Epic, Ramayana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by when the train is likely to be launched;
- (c) whether the people/tourists on board will have the option to go to Sri Lanka as a part of this Ramayana circuit; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the name of stoppages of the train and its fares?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has planned two Ramayana Circuit trains namely "Shri Ramayana Express" and "Ramayana Yatra" originating from Delhi on 14.11.2018 (15 Nights / 16 Days) and from Kochuveli on 28.08.2018 (11 Nights / 12 Days) respectively. The train itineraries are (i) Delhi

Safdarjung – Ayodhya – Sitamarhi – Varanasi – Allahabad – Chitrakoot – Nasik Road – Hospete – Rameshwaram – Madurai – Chennai - Delhi Safdarjung (package cost ₹15,120/- having sleeper class only) and (ii) Kochuveli – Nasik Road – Chitrakoot – Allahabad – Varanasi – Darbhanga – Sitamarhi – Ayodhya – Rameshwaram – Madurai (package cost ranging between ₹39,350/- to ₹60,750/- having AC coaches only). Passengers of "Shri Ramayana Express" may opt flight tour of 3 Night / 4 Days to Sri Lanka from Chennai with additional package cost of ₹36,200/- onwards per person.
