GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 23 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

CLEANLINESS AT RAILWAY STATIONS

*23. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that toilets, dormitories and rest rooms are not cleaned by the Railways regularly in spite of allocation of budget for the purpose, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to remedy the situation;
- (c) the budget allocated and spent for the above purpose during the last three years and the current year, zone-wise; and
- (d) whether tracks at noted railway stations are also not being cleaned at regular intervals and if so, the reasons therefor, particularly in respect of railway stations in Madhya Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 23 BY SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING CLEANLINESS AT RAILWAY STATIONS

(a), (b) & (d) No, Madam. At major stations of Indian Railways, platform, foot over bridge, offices, toilets, dormitories and rest rooms are cleaned by the Railways regularly through provision of Mechanised cleaning contracts with improved processes, machinery and updated management systems. At other stations, the cleaning work is being managed through manual contracts through outsourcing and departmental staff to keep the toilets, dormitories, rest rooms, platforms etc. in a satisfactory condition.

This also includes all the tracks of platform lines, which are cleaned according to the usage of the platform lines at specified periodicity. The schedule of cleaning being followed is uniform over entire Indian Railways, including Madhya Pradesh, and is only dependent and varying as per the categorization of the station. Provision of biotoilets in trains is further contributing to improve track cleaning, including at stations, by environment friendly digestion and disposal of human waste.

It is emphasised that cleaning is a regular activity and every effort is done by Railways to maintain cleanliness. The fact of improved cleanliness has been established through independent 3rd party survey of major 407 stations of Indian Railways during last 3 years.

(c) The details of budget allocations and expenditure for last 03 years and that of current year are appended.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 23 BY SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING CLEANLINESS AT RAILWAY STATIONS

(c) The details of budget allocations and expenditure for last 03 years and that of current year are as under:

(Figures in Crores of Rupees)

Zonal Railway	Revised Estimate 2015-16	Actual 2015-16	Revised Estimate 2016-17	Actual 2016-17	Revised Estimate 2017-18	Actual 2017-18	Budget Estimate 2018-19	Expenditure incurred in 2018-19 (upto 2nd Oct.'2018)
Central	23.60	24.23	44.46	44.96	66.56	49.55	71.76	36.54
Eastern	28.04	20.66	41.79	32.90	44.86	34.71	47.88	24.89
Northern	21.17	30.26	43.01	23.26	20.91	46.61	17.46	15.18
North Eastern	7.48	6.16	6.20	2.95	13.80	11.23	18.20	13.66
North East								
Frontier	4.85	7.54	10.93	14.04	17.70	23.49	18.82	35.84
Southern	34.03	28.21	9.56	63.99	82.15	76.24	87.13	6.50
South Central	26.37	23.38	41.10	28.16	38.18	24.61	53.37	9.84
South Eastern	9.09	6.76	12.36	9.37	14.15	12.62	17.94	9.50
Western	45.87	39.46	52.61	54.22	63.12	80.53	60.57	12.09
East Central	22.98	16.70	42.06	14.43	25.60	23.67	27.78	47.02
East Coast	12.29	9.88	11.21	17.21	23.82	22.07	26.78	15.11
North Central	10.48	6.41	3.10	11.39	15.03	12.12	20.44	6.22
North Western	11.29	8.22	22.59	6.32	28.98	18.65	35.61	18.39
South East								
Central	14.00	15.68	25.66	23.99	26.52	35.64	24.87	7.38
South Western	12.02	10.30	15.70	14.41	21.44	19.92	26.75	49.47
West Central	10.18	11.14	28.99	2.71	36.60	15.07	40.09	11.55
Total	293.74	264.99	411.33	364.31	539.42	506.73	595.45	319.18
