## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.152 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2019

#### **DIGITAL HUBS**

\*152.ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the RailTel is turning railway stations into digital hubs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact the RailTel is considering to provide free Wi-Fi at many more stations across the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

#### **MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COAL, FINANCE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

### (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 152 BY ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2019 REGARDING DIGITAL HUBS

(a) & (b): RailTel Corporation of India Limited (RCIL), a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under Ministry of Railways, is providing free Wi-Fi services at Railways Stations. Wi-Fi Services have been provided at 755 stations as on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 as indicated in the Appendix.

An average of about 2.9 Crores users are using this free Wi-Fi services during a month and the total aggregate data consumed per month has been more than 10,000 Terabytes (TB).

(c) & (d): RCIL is in the process of providing free Wi-Fi services at additional 796 Railway stations across the country.

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APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 152 BY ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2019 REGARDING DIGITAL HUBS

(a) & (b): RailTel has commissioned Wi-Fi services at following categories of stations:

Category of Station	Wi-Fi Commissioned
A1	75
Α	323
В	35
C	19
D	101
E	191
F	11
Total	755

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