

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022**

ANNUAL BILL FOR IMPORTED FUEL

**† *107. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI RODMAL NAGAR:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount spent annually by Indian Railways on high-speed diesel;**
- (b) the amount of the annual bill for the imported fuel;**
- (c) the details of the amount spent annually by the Indian railways on the maintenance of electric and diesel locomotives separately;**
- (d) whether it is possible to develop and operate such locomotives which can use ethanol or bio-diesel; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 107 BY SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI AND SHRI RODMAL NAGAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.12.2022 REGARDING ANNUAL BILL FOR IMPORTED FUEL

- (a) the year wise details of amount (including Freight and other taxes etc.) spent by Indian Railways on high speed diesel;**

| Year | Amount spent in Crores of ₹ |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| 2018-19 | 18587.14 |
| 2019-20 | 16377.60 |
| 2020-21 | 11438.70 |

- (b) There has been no direct import of HSD (High-speed diesel) by Indian Railways.**

- (c) The amount spent annually by the Indian Railways on the maintenance of electric and diesel locomotives for three years is as under:**

| Year | Amount in Crores of ₹ | |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| | Electric | Diesel |
| 2018-19 | 2262.90 | 3669.48 |
| 2019-20 | 2430.76 | 3508.27 |
| 2020-21 | 2344.86 | 2687.28 |

- (d) & (e) Yes, Sir. It is possible to operate locomotives on ethanol/bio-diesel after blending with other fuels. Operation of diesel locomotives with B-5 Bio-diesel have been tested by Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO).**
