GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1235 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022

KISAN RAIL PROJECTS

1235. SHRI SANGAM LAL GUPTA:
SHRI PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is aware that Uttar Pradesh, Odisha and Rajasthan does not have a single circuit under the Kisan Rail project as on date, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether there are any plans to initiate Kisan Rail in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Odisha and Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a): Since the launch of Kisan Rail service on 7th August 2020 and upto 30th November 2022, around 2,359 services have been operated, transporting approximately 7.9 lakh tonnes of consignments on 167 routes. Out of these, 76 Kisan Rail services have originated from Uttar Pradesh and 5 services have originated from Rajasthan.
- (b): Potential circuits for movement of Kisan Rail services are identified in consultation with Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Agriculture/Animal Husbandry/ Fisheries Departments of State Governments as well as local bodies and agencies, *Mandis* etc., and based on demand, rakes are provided on priority for running of Kisan Rail services.
