## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2384 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2022

#### PRODUCTION TARGET OF ICF

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SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Indian Railways is on track to achieve production targets for coaches, wheels and locomotives, for the year 2022-23, despite supply constraints, if so, the facts in this regard;

(b)whether the Government has sharply raised Integrated Coach Factory's (ICF's) production target for the much-delayed trainsets, if so, the extent to which production is proposed to be increased for the year 2022-23;

(c)whether the Government has made several other changes in the original plan and if so, the details thereof;

(d)whether these coaches have modern facilities of world standard, if so, the details thereof;

(e)whether the Government is clear as to how these new rolling stock types will be utilized by Indian Railways and if so, the details thereof;

(f)whether the Government proposes to promote rail based tourism through provision of better coaches and viable tour packages under Bharat Gaurav Trains Scheme, if so, the details thereof;

(g)the details of the trains that operate under the Bharat Gaurav Trains Scheme, particularly in Odisha;

(h)the details of such trains operated with Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches and the number of such coaches required for operation of trains under the said scheme; and

(i)whether any time schedule has been fixed for availability of such number of LHB Coaches for Bharat Gaurav Trains in the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a)Indian Railways is on track to achieve the production targets for coaches, wheels and locomotives. The production programme is reviewed at various stages over the year to optimise the production of Rolling Stock.
- (b) The production targets of ICF have been fixed as per the production capacity and traffic requirement of various coaches including trainsets.
- (c)Two revisions of Production Plan 2022-23 have been issued based upon the traffic requirement of Rolling Stock.
- (d)These coaches have modern facilities like on-board infotainment, automatic doors, sliding footsteps, CCTV cameras, rotating seats & side recliner seat facility in Executive Class etc.
- (e)These ultra modern trainsets have been used for operation of Vande Bharat trains over Indian Railway network. Presently, 06 pairs of Vande Bharat Express services are running.

(f)Yes, Sir. To give a concerted thrust to efforts for promotion of domestic tourism through provision of better quality coaches and viable tour packages, Bharat Gaurav Trains policy has been reviewed vide Commercial Circular No. 24 of 2022 dated 14.11.2022. As per this, only Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches will henceforth be allotted to Bharat Gaurav Trains. In addition, it has been decided to give approximately 33% concession in the charges due to the Railway, for promotion of rail based tourism.

(g)In the Financial Year 2022-23 (upto 30.11.2022), total 02 trips of Bharat Gaurav Trains have been operated through the State of Odisha. Further, one trip of Bharat Gaurav Train, namely, Shri Jagannath Yatra has been proposed for 25.01.2023 Ex Delhi covering Varanasi, Puri, Bhubaneshwar, Konark, Baidyanath and Gaya on a 07 nights/ 08 days trip.

- (h)No Bharat Gaurav Train has been operated with LHB Coaches till date.
- (i)Policy of the subject will be followed as per demand.

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