

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 409  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023**

**KISAN RAIL SERVICE**

**†\*409. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:  
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of kisan rails being run in the country at present and the routes on which the said trains are being operationalised;**
- (b) whether kisan rail service is being run under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the funds being spent for the said scheme?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 409 BY SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR AND  
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON  
29.03.2023 REGARDING KISAN RAIL SERVICE**

**(a) to (c): Since the launch of first Kisan Rail service on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020 and up to 01<sup>st</sup> March 2023, Indian Railways have operated approximately 2,364 Kisan Rail services on 167 routes across the country.**

**Kisan Rail services have been operated by Indian Railways, as scheduled services as well as on demand basis.**

**During 2020-21 and 2021-22, 50% subsidy in freight was granted by Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) for transportation of fruits and vegetables by Kisan Rail. During 2020-21, Railways disbursed ₹27.79 crore which was reimbursed by MoFPI. During 2021-22, Railways disbursed ₹121.86 crores as subsidy, out of which ₹50 crores was reimbursed by MoFPI. The subsidy was discontinued by MoFPI w.e.f. 01.04.2022. However, Railways have during the current year up to 01<sup>st</sup> March 2023, disbursed approximately ₹4 crore as subsidy at the rate of 45%.**

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