### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

#### **LOK SABHA**

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4830 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023

#### **DECONGESTING TRAINS/GOODS TRAIN TRAFFIC**

#### 4830. DR. K. JAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to add an additional track in Chennai-Gummidipoondi route to ease the present congestion of trains/goods train traffic;
- (b) if so, the time by which the project is likely to be commenced and completed;
- (c) if not, the details of the alternative proposal of the Ministry to ease the traffic congestion in this route;
- (d) whether it is possible to increase the frequency of local trains with the existing tracks; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **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.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4830 BY DR. K. JAYAKUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.03.2023 REGARDING DECONGESTING TRAINS/GOODS TRAIN TRAFFIC

- (a) to (c): On Chennai-Gummidipundi route, section between Chennai-Attipattu has 4 rail lines. Survey for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> line between Attipattu Gumidipundi has been taken up. Further consideration of the project is possible once survey report is received and result thereon are firmed up.
- (d) & (e): Increase in frequency of EMU services on Chennai Central Gummidipundi section is not feasible, at present, owing to path constraints during peak hours.

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