GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 964 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2023

OPERATION OF TRAIN SERVICES WITHOUT TTES

964. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that reserved sleeper coaches of Train 22501 on 27 December 2022 from SMVT Bengaluru to Perambur was plying without Travelling Ticket Examiners (TTEs) and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether it is true that Train 22501 on 27 December 2022 was stopped midway by pulling emergency chain as reserved passenger seats were occupied by unreserved passengers and if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether any fine was levied against the unreserved passengers who were de-boarded from the train by RPF and if so, the details thererof;
- (d) if not, the action taken against the officials who failed to levy fine on the deboarded passengers who travelled without tickets; and
- (e) whether it is true that sleeper coaches S1-S9 in train 12665 on May 24, 2022 from Chennai Egmore Railway station was left unmanned without TTEs and as a result emergency chain was pulled by reserved passengers and if so, the facts in this regard?

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 UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 964 BY SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2023 REGARDING OPERATION OF TRAIN SERVICES WITHOUT TTES

- (a) No, Sir. The train number 22501 SMVT Bengaluru New Tinsukia Jn. was manned by four Travelling Ticket Examiners (TTEs) from SMVT Bengaluru to Perambur on 27.12.2022. Further, two more TTEs manned the train from Jolarpettai to Perambur.
- (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. The amount of ₹ 71235/- was realized from unreserved passengers found travelling in reserved coaches.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The train number 12665 covers a distance of more than 2400 kilometer from Howrah to Kanyakumari over a span of three days. Manning in this train is done leg wise by four zonal Railways. In the first leg of journey, all the Sleeper Class coaches of the said train were manned, however, during the last two legs of journey, from Chennai to Madurai and from Madurai to Kanyakumari, sleeper class coaches remained either partially manned or unmanned due to shortage of ticket checking staff. Hence reserved passengers had pulled emergency chain.
