GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 259 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2023

USE OF LPG GAS BURNER AT STALLS/TROLLEYS

†*259. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Railways is committed to provide fresh and hot tea, puri-subji, samosa, vada sambhar and other eatables to passengers at railway stations/platforms through stalls/trolleys and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether instructions for utilisation of LPG gas burner at stalls /trolleys for preparation of hot tea/ food have been issued and only certain divisions have implemented the same and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether majority of divisions have not given permission for utilisation of LPG gas burner at stalls/ trolleys, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Akhil Bhartiya Railway Khan-Pan Licensees Welfare Association (Regd.) has requested for permission for use of LPG gas burner uniformily on trolleys due to absence of any electrical induction set up; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government 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 STARRED QUESTION NO. 259 BY SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE AND SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.12.2023 REGARDING USE OF LPG GAS BURNER AT STALLS/TROLLEYS

(a) to (e): It is a continuous endeavour of Indian Railways to ensure adequate provision of good quality and hygienic food items to the travelling passengers at railway stations/platforms through static catering units including stalls and trolleys.

As per existing Catering Policy 2017, there should be no cooking on platforms at suburban stations and for other stations there should be efforts to progressively reduce cooking on stalls and trolleys on the platforms, except for items which could be prepared through electrically operated equipment. The above instructions are implemented across all Zonal Railways.

Representations from Akhil Bhartiya Railway Khan-Pan Licensees Welfare Association (regd.) have been received wherein various reliefs including permission for use of cooking gas in stalls/trolleys on platforms have been sought. These representations have been examined on merit and action taken accordingly.
