ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY FUELS IN RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the progress made by the Indian Railways Organisation for Alternate Fuel (IROAF) in expanding new sources of environment friendly fuels and energy in Indian Railways;

(b) the manner in which the ‘Amrit Bharat Station Scheme’ promotes the use of renewable energy in railway stations; and

(c) the status of 100 percent electrification initiative of the Railways, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw)

(a) IROAF was formed to explore Alternate Fuel in Indian Railways. Since railways has moved to electrification, IROAF has been closed w.e.f. 07.09.2021.

(b) ‘Amrit Bharat Station Scheme’ envisages gradual shifting to sustainable and environmental friendly solution as per availability of funds and condition of existing assets which includes use of renewable energy.

(c) 100% Electrification of Broad Gauge network has been achieved in 14 State/Union Territory namely, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Jharkhand, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, Delhi, Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Puducherry and Meghalaya.

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