## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 798 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024

#### **ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY FUELS IN RAILWAYS**

## 798. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE: SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

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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