

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 232  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2019**

**EVALUATION OF PRIVATE TRAIN OPERATION**

**\*232. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to constitute a special task force comprising Secretaries to evaluate the private train operation and station re-development projects;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the details of the review of the first private train Tejas for its operative criteria?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 232 BY SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE  
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**(a) and (b) Ministry of Railways have constituted a Group of Secretaries (GoS) with a term of one year for development of Railway Stations to world class standards and permit private passenger train operators to operate trains with world class technology over Indian Railways Network, with the following broad terms of reference:-**

- i. Approval of the bidding process along with Bid documents and**
- ii. Monitor the bidding process and to take decisions to ensure the award of projects in a time bound manner.**

**As of now, the GoS has held four meetings in this regard.**

**(c) As per the terms and conditions, the mid-term review of the first Tejas train being operated by IRCTC and which has commenced its service w.e.f. 04.10.2019, is due after the expiry of one year.**

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