# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1456 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2019

### NATIONAL RAIL AND TRANSPORT UNIVERSITY

### 1456. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH : SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the efforts made by the Ministry to achieve the vision of Prime Minister to make the National Rail and Transport University (NRTU) as an institution of national importance and to virtually bring it as one of the top 500 institutions;
- (b) whether the Railways has sent the proposal before the Empowered Expert Committee of the UGC for giving it a tag of an institution of national importance;
- (c) if so, the recommendations of the Empowered Expert Committee in this regard;
- (d) whether there are any plans to set up a centre of NRTU in Telangana and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has asked the Railways to set up a Railway University in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

### ANSWER

### MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

### (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1456 BY SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH AND SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2019 REGARDING NATIONAL RAIL AND TRANSPORT UNIVERSITY

(a) Notification declaring National Rail and Transportation Institute as deemed to be university under de novo category was issued by the Ministry for Human Resource Development on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. The University was operationalised on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 with 2 Undergraduate courses viz. B.Sc. in Transportation Technology and BBA in Transport Management. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Academic session started on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Memoranda of Understanding have been signed with five global Universities – (i) Cornell University, USA, (ii) University of California, Berkeley, USA, (iii) University of Birmingham, UK, (iv) Russian University of Transport, Moscow, Russia and (v) Saint Petersburg State Transport University, St. Petersburg, Russia.

(b) No, Sir.

- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) No, Sir.

(e) No, Sir. The National Rail & Transportation Institute has been established at Vadodara, Gujarat.

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