GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 638 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019

BIOMETRIC MACHINES IN TRAINS

†638. SHRI RAVI KISHAN: DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has planned to reserve seats in general boggies through bio-metric machines installed out side them in trains;
- (b) if so, the names of the trains in which such arrangement has been made and the trains in which it is yet to be implemented;
- (c) the names of the trains in which such an arrangement has been made departing from Itawah station; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which it will be implemented?

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 638 BY SHRI RAVI KISHAN AND DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.11.2019 REGARDING BIOMETRIC MACHINES IN TRAINS

(a) to (d): No, Sir. Reservation of seats in general coaches is not being done through Bio-metric machines installed outside, in trains. However, Railway Protection Force has taken initiative at some stations to use Biometric Token Machines for better queue management for the passengers boarding general coaches in selected trains so that seating in general coaches is available on first come first serve basis. At present, Biometric Token Machines are used at 05 major Railway Stations for queue management for passengers boarding general coaches in 17 prominent trains. These trains include Train nos. 12534, 12137, 12111, 12859 (C Shivaji Maharaj Terminus Railway Station); 12533 (Lucknow Junction Railway Station); 12955, 12933, 12903, 12961, 22945 (Mumbai Central Railway Station) and 12925, 19707, 19039, 12907, 12471 (Bandra Terminus Railway Station).
