GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1688 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.09.2020

DRONE BASED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM

1688. DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI : SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has procured drones and Ninja Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for establishing a drone-based surveillance system for the Indian Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any pilot project has been initiated in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details of the Railway divisions that are being allotted these drones and UAVs?

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. Nine drones have been procured by Railway Protection Force so far at a cost of ₹31.87 lakhs at South Eastern Railway, Central Railway, Modern Coaching Factory, Raebareilli and South Western Railway which are being used for surveillance of railway premises.
