

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.402
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2021**

PRIVATE TRAIN OPERATIONS

***402 DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Multi-Modal Transport System (MMTS) is going to be run by private players and if so, the reasons for handing over MMTS to private players ;**
- (b) whether many trains under South Central Railway(SCR) are proposed to be handed over to private players for operation and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the advantages and disadvantages of handing over MMTS and trains to private players;**
- (d) whether there have been demands to extend MMTS up to Vikarabad; and**
- (e) if so, the action taken by his Ministry in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 402 BY DR. G. RANJITH REDDY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.03.2021 REGARDING PRIVATE TRAIN OPERATIONS

(a) : No, Sir. The Hyderabad Multi Modal Transport System (MMTS) is a suburban rail system in Hyderabad. There is no proposal for MMTS going to be run by private players.

(b): There is no proposal for trains under South Central Railway (SCR) to be handed over to private players for operations. However, with a view to attract investment of about ₹ 30, 000 crores and induct modern rakes over select routes, spread all over Indian Railways Network including routes over South Central Railways, and to provide world class services to the passengers, Ministry of Railways has planned induction of approximately 150 pairs of passenger train services (divided into 12 clusters) through Public Private partnership (PPP) on Design, Build, Finance and Operate (“DBFO”) basis. These services to be operated through PPP mode shall be additional services aimed at increasing the availability of train services to the travelling passengers.

(c): Does not arise.

(d) : The Hyderabad Multi Modal Transport System (MMTS) is a suburban rail system in Hyderabad being developed on cost sharing basis between State Government (2/3rd) and South Central Railway (1/3rd) on demand of State Government. Hence, the proposal for extension of MMTS services needs to be initiated by the State Government. As on date, there is no such proposal from State Government to extend MMTS up to Vikarabad.

(e): Does not arise.
