GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1432 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021

WI-FI AT STATIONS BY RAILTEL

†1432. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT: SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether RailTel is transforming railway stations into digital hubs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether RailTel proposes to provide free wi-fi facilities at more number of railway stations across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. RailTel, a Public Sector Undertaking of Ministry of Railways is providing Wi-Fi services at Railway Stations. So far, Wi-Fi facility has been provided at 6045 stations. Zone-wise details are appended.

(c) & (d) Indian Railways have decided to provide Wi-Fi facility at all stations except halt stations.

Provision of Wi-Fi at balance stations is in progress and is dependent upon the availability of Infrastructure like Optical Fibre Cable at these stations. Out of these, 55 stations are targeted for completion in this financial year. APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1432 BY SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT AND SHRIMATI GEETA KORA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.07.2021 REGARDING WI-FI AT STATIONS BY RAILTEL

(a) and (b) Zone-wise detail of Railway Stations where Wi-Fi is commissioned:

Zonal Railway	Total Stations
Eastern	350
East Central	400
East Coast	254
Northeast Frontier	380
South Eastern	248
South East Central	202
Metro Kolkata	33
Northern	572
North Eastern	294
North Central	286
North Western	418
South Central	587
Southern	542
South Western	308
Central	373
West Central	271
Western	468
Konkan (KRCL)	59
Total	6045

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