

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2604

TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

PRIVATISATION OF RAILWAYS

2604. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a National Rail Plan (NRP) for infrastructure development and privatisation of Railways for thirty years has been evolved; and

(b) if so, the timeline for privatisation of passenger trains, freight trains, stations, production units, railway public sector like CONCOR, Dedicated Freight Corridor corporation, etc. as per NRP?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS &
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a): Indian Railways has prepared a National Rail Plan (NRP). The objective of the Plan is to create infrastructure capacity ahead of demand, which in turn cater to future growth in demand right up to 2050 and also increase the modal share of Railways to 45% in freight traffic and to continue to sustain it. However, the NRP does not deal with the privatization of Railways.

(b): Does not arise
