GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2652 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

CCTV AT STATIONS

2652. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Railways had planned to put up surveillance cameras at 983 stations across the country four years ago;
- (b) if so, whether it is also true that the said project was envisaged under the Nirbhaya Fund to enhance safety of women passengers;
- (c) whether it is also true that the Railways has now asked its zonal railways to put up video surveillance system instead of CCTV;
- (d) if so, whether it is also true that the railways has asked its zonal railways to install surveillance cameras on their own by floating tenders without depending on national project on the said matter; and
- (e) whether it is also true that the Railways had abandoned the national project for installing CCTV cameras across 983 stations and if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. Indian Railways have approved works for provision of Video Surveillance System at all stations except halt stations.

This includes the provision of Integrated Enquiry Response Management System (IERMS) at 983 stations under Nirbhaya Fund to enhance safety of women passenger.

So far, CCTV Cameras have been installed at total 814 stations.

(c) & (d) Provision of CCTV camera is part of Video Surveillance System (VSS). In order to expedite the work, the work for provision of Video Surveillance System (VSS) at stations has been divided between some zonal Railways and RailTel Corporation of India, a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under Ministry of Railways.

(e) No, Sir.
