

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2933
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2021**

INCREASE IN COACHES

2933. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been demands to increase number of coaches in various trains to accommodate more and more passengers;**
- (b) if so, instead of increasing number of coaches, the reasons why South Central Railway (SCR) has decreased sleeper coaches in the express trains namely Narayanadri, Venkatadri, Gowtami, Simhapuri, etc.; and**
- (c) the time by when the Railways is going to restore the removed coaches in trains under SCR Zone?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) Yes, Sir.**
- (b) & (c) Owing to operational requirements, composition of 12733/12734 Tirupati - Lingampalli Narayanadri Express had to be reduced from 24 to 22 coaches to facilitate its conversion from Integral**

Coach Factory (ICF) to modern and safer Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches. However, the total reserved accommodation in the train has increased. Besides, there is no reduction in number of sleeper class coaches in 12797/12798 Kacheguda-Chittor Venkatadri Express, 12737/12738 Kakinada-Lingampalli Gowtami Express and 12709/12710 Gudur-Secunderabad Simhapuri Express, which are operating with ICF coaches.
