# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

#### **LOK SABHA**

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2346 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2022

#### PODS/CAPSULE HOTELS NEAR RAILWAY STATIONS

#### 2346. DR. TALARI RANGAIAH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to construct pods/capsule hotels near railway stations; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Railway-zone wise?

#### ANSWER

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): In pursuance of Indian Railways continuous efforts and endeavour to provide improved passenger amenities at railway stations, Mumbai division of Western Railway, in collaboration of Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) and M/s. Urban Pod Pvt. Limited has commissioned POD/capsule type retiring rooms and dormitories with modern amenities like free Wi-Fi, luggage room, shared toilets, Television, air-conditioner, mobile charging slots etc. at Mumbai Central (MMCT) station, on experimental basis. Moreover, the process for development and operation of Sleeping Pods at Mumbai Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus and Lokmanya Tilak (Terminus) stations has been initiated by Central Railway. At major railway stations across the country, Retiring Room and Dormitory facilities are available. However, augmentation/upgradation of passenger amenities/services at railway stations is a continuous process.

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