GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3313 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2022

AUTOMATIC TICKET VENDING MACHINE

†3313. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVMs) are being installed at the railway stations to provide on the spot tickets to the passengers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including in Karnal Parliamentary Constituency (Panipat Junction, Samalkha railway station, Gharunda railway station, Karnal railway station, Taraori railway station);
- (c) whether the Government proposes to create awareness among the passengers through volunteers to purchase online tickets a few minutes before the arrival of the train at the above said railway stations;
- (d) whether the train from Panipat to Chandigarh is likely to run at a speed of 160 Kmph; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVMs) have been installed at some railway stations to provide unreserved tickets to passengers and help reduce long queuing at the unreserved

ticket counters. They are touch screen based ticketing kiosks operated using smart cards. Out of the total 336 installed ATVMs in Northern Railway, 3 are at Panipat Junction, 1 is at Samalkha railway station and 3 are at Karnal railway station.

- (c): Yes, Sir. For the convenience of local passengers and to create awareness, banners have been put up and facilitation desks have been set up which are manned by Railway staff. In addition, 3 facilitators (2 at Karnal railway station and 1 at Panipat Junction) have been appointed by Railways to educate and distribute tickets through ATVMs at these locations.
- (d) & (e): At present there is no plan to run train at a speed of 160 kmph between Panipat to Chandigarh.
