### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4417 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022

#### **DISPOSAL OF NON-WORKING COACHES/WAGONS**

#### 4417. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of passenger coaches and goods wagons in the Railways which are not in working condition since many years, zone-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps for disposal/reuse or use of the said coaches/wagons for other purposes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4417 BY SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.03.2022 REGARDING DISPOSAL OF NON-WORKING COACHES/WAGONS

(a): Replacement of coaches and wagons on age-cum-condition basis is a continuous process over Zonal Railways. Systems are in place to ensure that passenger coaches and wagons that are unfit for regular service are not allowed in regular train service and condemned expeditiously.

At present, there are no such passenger coaches and goods wagons in Zonal Railways which are not in working condition since many years.

(b) & (c): Indian Railways has a system for utilizing coaches declared unserviceable (condemned) on age cum condition basis to utilize the same as Rail Coach restaurants and in other uses to generate non fare revenue. Brief of such available Restaurant Cars is as below:

Zonal Railways	Station	Nos. of Restaurant Cars
Central Railway	Nagpur	1
Central Railway	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus	1
Eastern Railway	Asansol	2
West Central Railway	Jabalpur	1
West Central Railway	Madan Mahal	1
West Central Railway	Bhopal	1

Furthermore, heritage value of condemned coaches / wagons is also assessed and accordingly preserved & displayed at Heritage Rail Museum, stations etc.

Further, disposal of remaining condemned coaches / wagons is carried out through e-Auction by Zonal Railways regularly.

During the last 5 years and current year, following number of condemned coaches / wagons have been disposed off:

Year	No. of Condemned	No. of Condemned
	Coaches disposed	Wagons disposed
2016-17	4246	7768
2017-18	3295	6032
2018-19	4007	6298
2019-20	2368	4597
2020-21	2384	4737
2021-22 (Upto Feb, 2022)	1889	3941

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