GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5676 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.04.2022

KISAN RAIL YOJANA

†5676. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR: SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Kisan Rail Yojana;
- (b) the number of trains being operated across the country under the said scheme, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the targets fixed and achievements made under the said scheme so far;
- (d) whether the Government has plans to expand and run trains in Maharashtra especially in Yavatmal Washim Parliamentary Constituency;
- (e) if so, the district-wise details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the time by which the said trains are likely to be operated by the Government?

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5676 BY SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH alias PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR AND SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.04.2022 REGARDING KISAN RAIL YOJANA

(a) Kisan Rail trains have been introduced by Indian Railways to move perishables including fruits, vegetables, meat, poultry, fishery and dairy products from production or surplus regions to consumption or deficient regions. The salient features of the Kisan Rail include - speedy movement ensuring minimum damage during transit; multi commodity, multi consignor, multi consignee and multi stoppages; and no minimum limit on quantity that can be booked.

(b) and (c): Till 25.3.2022, a total of 2,190 trips of Kisan Rail trains have been operated. State-wise breakup thereof is as under –

State	No. of Kisan Rail
Andhra Pradesh	115
Assam	1
Gujarat	58
Karnataka	46
Maharashtra	1,708
Madhya Pradesh	74
Punjab	10
Rajasthan	2
Telangana	66
Tripura	1
Uttar Pradesh	59
West Bengal	50
Total	2,190

(d) to (f): Potential circuits for movement of Kisan Rail services are identified in consultation with Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Agriculture/Animal Husbandry/Fisheries Departments of State Governments as well as local bodies and agencies, *Mandis* etc, and based on demand, rakes are provided on priority for running of Kisan Rail services. So far, no demand has been received for starting Kisan Rail from Yavatmal.
