GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 478 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2025

PITLINES FACILITIES FOR TIRUCHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT

478 SHRI DURAI VAIKO:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to establish new pitlines for ICF/LHB coach, express/superfast train maintenance in Tiruchirappalli district;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including location, capacity and estimated cost;
- (c) whether the existing infrastructure in Tiruchirappalli is sufficient to handle the growing number of train services originating and passing through the region, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government will consider allocating funds and approval for the construction of additional pitlines to support efficient maintenance, reduce congestion and enhance operational turnaround in Tiruchirappalli; and
- (e) if so, the timeline for planning and execution of the proposed pitline facilities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e) Pit Line facilities are planned and executed as per operational and maintenance requirements. At present three pitlines are operational at Tiruchirappalli. Further, construction of two additional Pit Lines for maintenance of MEMU rakes at Tiruchirappalli has been sanctioned at total cost of ₹61 Cr. and the work has been taken up.

To facilitate the passengers of Tiruchirappalli, Indian Railways have introduced 08 new train services and extended 06 train services during the period 2020-21 to 2024-25 (upto June, 2025). Accordingly, Tiruchirappalli station is presently, being served by 155 trains services including 53 train services originating from/terminating at Tiruchirappalli.
