

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3012
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2026**

DISPOSAL OF SCRAP/OBSOLETE ASSETS OF RAILWAYS

3012. SHRI PARSHOTTAMBHAI RUPALA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total revenue realised from auction of scrap, waste material and obsolete assets of the Indian Railways during the last five years, year-wise;**
- (b) whether the Government has taken cognisance of large quantities of condemned coaches, wagons, unused tracks and other scrap lying for long periods at stations and yards, resulting in corrosion, depreciation and revenue loss and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to issue binding/time-bound instructions to all stations and divisions for identification and prompt auction of unusable scrap to maximise revenue and improve asset management and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a): Scrap generated during maintenance, production activities, track renewal and from obsolete rolling stock, etc. is an important source of non-fare revenue for Indian Railways. The Scrap sale figures for the last five financial years are as follows:

Year	Scrap Sale (Rs. in crores)
2020-21	4575.29
2021-22	5316.24
2022-23	5756.98
2023-24	5773.26
2024-25	6641.78

(b) & (c): Scrap generation and disposal is a continuous ongoing process over Indian Railways. Scrap disposal is done through e-auction using the Indian Railways E-Procurement System (IREPS) to ensure transparency, wider participation, competitive pricing and to maximise revenue realisation. Scrap sale figures have shown consistent growth, reflecting improved operationalisation of disposal mechanisms. Monitoring mechanisms are in place at various levels to ensure that scrap is identified, segregated and disposed of promptly.

Government has taken several measures to strengthen scrap identification and disposal mechanism including e-Auction through IREPS, Zero Scrap Balance Targets, Special Campaign, etc. These measures form part of continuous efforts by Indian Railways to improve asset lifecycle management, minimise depreciation/corrosion losses from condemned coaches, wagons, unused tracks and enhance revenue from scrap disposal.
