GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2122 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015

FIRE ALARMS IN TRAINS

2122. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have conducted the trials of fixing fire alarms in trains, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether trials are being conducted only in AC trains/coaches at present and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which the trials are likely to be conducted in non-AC coaches?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Yes, Madam. A pilot project for field trial with Automatic Fire and Smoke detection system (i.e. Fire Alarm) has been successfully completed in one rake of New Delhi-Bhubaneswar Rajdhani Express.

- (b): Presently, trials are being conducted in AC (Air-Conditioned) trains/coaches only as no proven design suitable for Indian Railway non-AC coaches is available.
- (c): No proven design of Automatic Fire & Smoke detection system suitable for Indian Railway non-AC coaches is presently available. Besides, this is a subject of deep research and study. Therefore, no timelines for conducting trials can be laid down at this stage.
