GOVERMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3402 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2015

OPERATION OF DIESEL RAIL ENGINE

3402. SHRI BHAGWANT MANN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways have developed/ tested a kit with which diesel engine may run on CNG;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which commercial use of CNG engines is likely to be started?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a)&(b): Yes, Madam. Railways have developed and tested a conversion kit to convert Diesel powered engines, of Diesel Electric Multiple Unit (DEMU) power car, to operate on dual fuel, i.e. Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Diesel.
- (c) It is already in commercial use. So far, Railways have commissioned 6 (six) such DEMU Power Cars and put in service. CNG partially replaces Diesel in such Power Cars.

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