GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.949 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015 RAKES IN RAILWAYS

949. SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL : SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have taken note that loading target was slashed by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) without prior information to the railways that led to large number of rakes lying idle;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways have been incurred huge losses as a result thereof;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of losses suffered by the Railways as on date; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 949 BY SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL AND SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.7.2015 REGARDING RAKES IN RAILWAYS

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) In the current financial year (April-June), Railways loaded and transported 7.41 million tonnes of foodgrain on account of Food Corporation of India (FCI), which is 2.24 million tonnes less as compared to that in the corresponding period of last financial year. Loss of earning on this account is approximately $\stackrel{?}{\stackrel{?}{\stackrel{?}{\xrightarrow{}}}}$ 398.35 crores.

(d) The surplus rakes have been deployed for loading and movement of commodities like cement, fertilizers etc. In addition, the production of covered wagons (BCNHL) utilized for foodgrain loading has been assigned lower priority in production. The requirement of BCNHL has also been decreased from 8100 to 5000 in the year 2015-16.

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