GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1656 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2015

DOUBLE DECKER TRAIN FROM MUMBAI TO GOA

1656. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there was a long demand of a double Decker service on Konkan route between Mumbai and Goa;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways has announced to start a double Decker air condition Shatabdi train on Mumbai-Goa route;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Konkan Railway has started the work on the project;
- (e) if so, whether it is a fact that despite approval, the Central Railway doesn't seem keen to start the project;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government in this regard and the time by which the train on this route will be started?

ANSWER

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) to (g): A new Double Decker Express train connecting Mumbai and Goa, viz. 11085/11086 Lokmanya Tilak(T)-Madgaon AC Double Decker Express (Tri-weekly) having commercial stoppages at Thane, Panvel, Khed, Chiplun, Ratnagiri, Kankavali, Sawantwadi, Thivim, Karmali has commenced operations w.e.f. 06/12/2015.
