

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1819
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2015**

BIO/VACUUM TOILETS

**1819. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R. K.:
SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BAHERIA:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI S. R. VIJAYAKUMAR:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any plan has been formulated to clean the railway stations and tracks under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Railways proposes to clean the dirt/garbage lying on the railway tracks by fixing a vacuum cleaner in the guard coach/last coach, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps so far taken by the Railways in this regard?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) Yes, Madam. As a part of the plan, under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Special Cleanliness Campaign was launched on Indian Railways on 2nd Oct, 2014. Regular events on cleanliness are planned and organised to improve and**

maintain cleanliness at Railway premises including Railway stations and tracks. Weekly special intensive cleaning drives at Railway stations in rotation have also been undertaken by Zonal Railways. On completion of one year of Swachh Bharat Mission, cleanliness drives have been launched by Indian Railways from 25th Sept, 2015. This included Sardar Patel United Clean India Drive focused on cleanliness at Railway stations and trains from 11th October, 2015. Campaigns for increasing the awareness and participation from all sections viz. Railway staff, Railway users/public as well as Charitable Institutions/Social Organisations, were organised at many major stations. Enforcement of Indian Railways (Penalties for activities affecting cleanliness at railway premises) Rules, 2012 has also been intensified.

(b)& (c) No such proposal is under consideration.
