GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2869 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2015

SHORT DISTANCE TRAINS

†2869. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether short distance trains are operated in North-Central Railway Zone;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the type of the engines used for the operation of such trains;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to operate the trains by electric engines instead of diesel engines on electrified railway lines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. At present, 224 Broad Gauge Passenger/EMUs/MEMUs/DEMUs and 02 Intercity Express trains are running as short distance trains over NCR system.
- (i) On other than EMUs/MEMUs services under electric traction, WAM-4, WAP-4, WAP-5 & WAP-7 class of Electric locomotives are

used to haul various types of passenger trains over electrified sections of NCR.

- (ii) On Broad Gauge (BG) WDM2/WDM3A/WDM3D/WDS6 type of Diesel locomotives and Diesel Electric Multiple Units (DEMUs) are used.
- (iii) On Narrow Gauge (NG), ZDM5 type of Diesel locomotives are used.
- (iv) On Special Gauge, NDM5 type of Diesel locomotives are deployed.
- (c) to (e): After electrification of new sections, trains are gradually shifted from Diesel to Electric traction, subject to operational feasibility and availability of resources.
