GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 685 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015

STOPPAGES IN RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the Number of temporary and permanent stoppages in railways, State-wise;
- (b) the number of stoppages proposed to be removed along with the reasons for removing the temporary stoppages; and
- (c) the steps taken to improve traffic in low revenue railway stations?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Indian Railways do not maintain compendium of temporary and permanent stoppages on State-wise basis.
- (b): Temporary stoppages are generally provided for short periods in connection with religious congregations, Mela(s) or on any activity/occasion of National Importance and, as such, their validity normally ceases at their conclusion.

(c): Indian Railways continuously strive to improve passenger traffic across all Zonal Railways through various measures including augmentation of on-board capacity by attachment of additional coaches, running of special trains during festivals and holidays, running of Suvidha trains, organizing intensive ticket checking drives including fortress checks etc., augmentation of ticket selling capacity through operation of Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVM), Cash-Coin & Smart Card operated Ticket Vending Machines (CoTVM), mobile ticketing, utilizing the services of ticketing agents like Jan Sadharan Ticket Booking Sewaks (JTBS), Station Ticket Booking Agents (STBA), Yatri Ticket Suvidha Kendra (YTSK) etc. subject to feasibility.
