GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3075 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2016

MODERNIZATION OF COACHES

3075. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has any plan to modernise coaches to the international standards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways has also planned to involve private partnership in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Modernization of coaches to international standards is a continuous process.

• Provision of enhanced scale of amenities with improvements in design and pleasing interior and exterior colour scheme have

been provided on coaches of one model rake turned out from Carriage Rehabilitation Workshop (CRWS), Bhopal recently and inducted into Mahamana Express running between New Delhi and Varanasi.

 Besides, work of upgradation of one semi-high speed LHB (Linke Hofmann Busch) rake with 200 kmph speed potential has also been sanctioned.

(c) & (d): Design, development and provision of modern interior furnishings on model rake coaches under refurbishing at CRWS, Bhopal has been done through outsourcing to private firms.

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