

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 932
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2016**

USAGE OF RAIL NETWORK

**932. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:
SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the railways has invited the interested entrepreneurs to use its rail network which is the cheapest mode of transport; and**
- (b) if so, details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Madam.**
- (b) The following schemes have been introduced by the Railways-**
- (i) Container Train Operators (CTO) Scheme which permits Container Train Operators to run container trains;**
 - (ii) Special Freight Train Operator (SFTO) which permits running of trains for transportation of certain commodities in special purpose wagons;**
 - (iii) Automobile Freight Train Operator (AFTO) which permits transportation of automobiles traffic.**