GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1834 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016

WI-FI ENABLED STATIONS

†1834. SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government in the Budget had announced to make 100 railway stations Wi-Fi enabled and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the basis on which the said stations are likely to be selected;
- (c) whether the Nagaur railway station in Rajasthan is also likely to be selected for the said exercise; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. In the Railway Budget 2015-16 it was announced that Wi-Fi Internet facilities shall be provided at all 'A' & 'A1' category stations over Indian Railways. Further, in Railway Budget 2016-17, it was inter-alia announced that provision of Wi-Fi facility at Railway Stations has begun and it is expected that Wi-Fi services at 100 category A1 & A stations shall be commissioned this year in phase-I.

Railway Stations have been selected based on their commercial categorization. All A1, A & B category stations are currently planned for provision of Wi-Fi facility.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Nagaur, a Category 'A' station in Rajasthan state is already selected for provision of Wi-Fi services in phase-II and this phase will be taken up after completion of 100 stations in phase-I.
