GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4101 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2016

CLONE TRAINS

4101. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways is planning to introduce new or clone trains in major cities in order to meet the heavy demand and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the manner in which the Railways proposes to meet the demand of the additional engines and coaches for such new trains;

(c) whether there is any proposal to start new engine and coach manufacturing factories particularly in the State of Odisha; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Introduction of new trains is an ongoing process over Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, commercial viability, availability of resources etc. Moreover, in the Railway Budget 2016-17, introduction of Antyodaya, Humsafar, Tejas and Uday type of train services has been announced and will be introduced upon availability of coaches, necessary clearance of Commissioner of Railway Safety (CRS), etc during the course of the current financial year.

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(b): 280 locomotives get inducted into the fleet of electric locos every year ex. Chittaranjan Locomotive Works (CLW). A manufacturing unit is also being set up at Madhepura with a production capacity of 100 High Horse Power locos (12000 HP) per annum. Moreover, the coaches for introduction of Antyodaya, Humsafar, Tejas and Uday trains announced in 2016-17 have been included in the Production Programme of Indian Railways' Production Units for the current year.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Does not arise.
