GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 313 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024

TRAIN SERVICE IN SHORNUR-MANGALORE SECTOR

313 DR. M P ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have plans to restore the cancelled trains or increase the number of unreserved coaches to resolve congestion in the existing passenger trains and unreserved coaches of express trains in the Shornur-Mangalore sector of Palakkad Division;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the importance of converting the newly introduced Shornur-Kannur-Shornur UR Special train (Train number 06031 and 06032) to permanent service;
- (d) whether the Government is aware of the need to provide stoppage at Tirunavaya and Pallippuram stations for the above-mentioned trains considering the widespread demand from the passengers of the area; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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(a) to (e) Indian Railways (IR), operates various types of regular time-tabled trains e.g. suburban, short distance passenger trains, long distance/Mail Express/ superfast trains with different composition catering to different segments of passengers. In its constant endeavour to provide additional accommodation to travelling passengers, IR, also operates Special train services during festivals, holidays, etc. and by augments the load of trains, both on permanent and temporary basis, to cater to additional demand. Besides, to provide greater accommodation for the

passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches, the extant policy regarding composition of Mail/Express trains, provide for 12 (Twelve) General class & Sleeper class non- AC coaches and 08 (eight) AC-Coaches, in a train of 22 coaches. Of the total number of Coaches being presently utilized for running of train services, two-third are non-AC, and one-third are AC variants. Additionally, Indian Railways have also started operation of Amrit Bharat Express services which are fully non-AC trains providing high quality services to the passengers. Keeping in view increased demand, IR has planned to manufacture 10,000 non-AC Coaches including General Class and Sleeper Class Coaches.

Moreover, provision of stoppages, regularization of train services, augmentation of load of trains are on-going processes on Indian Railways.
