

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5491

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IMPORT OF COACHES OF HIGHER PRICES

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that coaches for Metro Railways were imported at five or seven times higher prices than the indigenously manufactured ones;
- (b) if so, the comparative figures thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the reasons for which the Integral Coach Factory in Chennai which was capable of manufacturing the coaches at the competitive price was kept out of the global tender for the coaches;
- (d) whether the Government have any proposal to get this matter inquired into from the CBI;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKR)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Integral Coach Factory at Chennai did not participate in the global tender for Delhi Metro coaches since they do not have the technology to manufacture modern metro coaches.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.