

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3006
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REQUIREMENT OF LOCOS AND WAGONS
PRABHUNATH SINGH;RAMJI MANJHI

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been invited to the news-item captioned "5000 wagno aur 36 electric engino ki phaltoo kharid aakhir kisliye", appearing in 'Dainik Jagam' dated November 15, 2000;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of wagons and electric engines are required by railways alongwith the funds required for their procurement;
- (d) the number of wagons/electric engines are purchased by the railways alongwith the expenditure incurred thereon;
- (e) whether it is a fact that the railways are purchasing these items in excess of their requirement; and
- (f) if so, the reasons for purchasing excess stores than requirement?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The news item refers to the procurement of wagons for next year i.e. 2001-02. The acquisition of Rolling Stock is need based and depends on traffic projections and fund availability. Requirement of wagons for 2001-02 will be finalised at the time of preparation of budget/finalisation of orders. Initial budgetted programme for the year 2000-01 was for 93 Electric Locos at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works at the cost of Rs.409.9 crores. On a review, production of 130 Locos has been projected recently.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.