## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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GARBAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN RAILWAYS
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## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any assessment has been made regarding the waste and garbage generated in trains, railway tracks, in and around the Railway stations:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether adequate arrangements in place to remove the garbage on a regular basis; and
- (d) if not, the steps being taken to strengthen the garbage management system to keep the trains, tracks and stations absolutely clean?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

- (a) & (b) No aggregate assessment has been made of the quantity of waste and garbage generated in trains, railway tracks, in and around the Railway stations.
- (c) & (d) Arrangements are in place to regularly clear garbage from different areas viz. station premises, platforms, yards & tracks etc. Instructions already exist with the Zonal Railways to ensure garbage disposal as per arising and requirement.

Up-gradation of garbage management and of steps being taken to keep trains, tracks and stations clean is a continuous process. Initiatives taken by the Railways in this direction are:

- # Progressive adoption of mechanized Cleaning of coaches/trains and coaching depot premises.
- # Mechanized en-route cleaning of nominated trains "Clean Train Stations".
- # On Board Housekeeping Services during run in identified trains.
- # Mechanized high pressure jet cleaning of platforms, Track, Drains etc. in station area.
- # Provision of adequate nos. of dust bins, Garbage dumps and large sized bags for ease of disposal.
- # Educational publicity campaigns and announcements at stations and special cleanliness drives.
- # Zonal Railways have been instructed for developing satisfactory garbage disposal mechanism.