

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3296
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USE OF WAGONS BY TRADERS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether facility of wagons is being provided for transportation of goods to small and medium traders by the Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the facility has been withdrawn;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Railways are contemplating to resume the facility of wagons to small traders;
- (f) if so, the time by which it is likely to be resumed;
- (g) whether rakes are being used for carrying goods in place of wagons; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): No separate record for wagons supplied to small and medium traders is being maintained by Railways. Total 13220844 wagons (in 8- wheeler units) have been loaded by Indian Railways up to Feb.'10 during 2009-10 including for small & medium Traders.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): Does not arise.

(g) & (h): Movement on Indian Railways is done in Rakes which comprise wagons.