GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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WAGONS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PERISHABLE GOODS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways have developed special refrigerated wagons for transportation of perishable items such as vegetables, fruits etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of such wagons being introduced, zone-wise particularly in South Central Railway during the current financial year?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): No, madam. However, to facilitate transportation of perishable commodities in temperature controlled condition, Indian Railways have a fleet of 10 Refrigerated Parcel Vans, at present. The fleet size of Refrigerated Parcel Van is being increased. Further, to meet the future requirement of transportation of perishable cargo, a refrigerated container factory is proposed to be set up on Public Private Partnership mode at Budge Budge.