GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1525 ANSWERED ON:22.03.2012 KAIFIYAT EXPRESS Bali Ram Dr.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 'Kaifiyat Express' running between Delhi to Azamgarh often reaches its destination late; and
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Railways to run this train on scheduled time and to provide pantry car facility alongwith maintaining proper sanitation in this train?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) During 1st to 15th March 2012, train number 12226 Delhi- Azamgarh Kaifiyat Express reached Azamgarh right time on 3 days, 15-30 minutes late on 1 day, 31-45 minutes on 4 days, 46-60 minutes late on 1 day and above 60 minutes on 6 days. Instructions have been issued to the Zonal Railways to ensure that the train runs right time by launching an intensive round the clock drive to monitor running of the train at Divisional and Zonal Head Quarters level.

To provide catering services to train passengers, train side vending facilities have been provided in Kaifiyat Express. Further, as per new Catering Policy 2010, the demands for attachment of pantry cars to the trains are considered based on various factors such as priority of the train, (first priority to Duronto/Rajdhani then Superfast Mail/Express trains then the trains running more than 24 hours either way), its commercial justification and availability of pantry cars and load limitation in the trains etc.

For maintaining proper sanitation including in this train, inspections have been strengthened. All scheduled maintenance including cleaning is being carried out prior to its departure.