GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3586 ANSWERED ON:26.04.2012 REST HOUSES HOTELS MALLS AT RAILWAY STATIONS Chitthan Shri N.S.V.;Verma Shri Sajjan Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to construct modern rest houses/ hotels/malls in the complexes of major railway stations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the stations identified for the purpose;
- (c) the details of railway stations having adequate land for such construction; and
- (d) the other steps being taken in this regard by the Railways?

Answer

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

- (a): No, Madam. However, it has been planned to construct Multi-functional Complexes (MFCs) at 198 Railway Stations. MFCs aim to provide to rail users facilities like shopping, food stalls/restaurants, book stalls, PCO booths, ATMs, medicine and variety stores, budget hotels, parking facilities etc.
- (b) to (d): Budget hotels are planned at 24 stations as a part of MFCs undertaken by M/s IRCON International Ltd. and M/s RITES Ltd. The list is appended. Required land is generally available for the purpose. In addition, Budget hotels may also come up as a part of MFCs through Private sector participation at other locations subject to their commercial viability.