GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2927 ANSWERED ON:14.03.2013 PRODUCTION OF DOUBLE DECKER COACHES Singh Smt. Meena

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coaches for double decker trains are being manufactured indigenously in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of factories presently manufacturing the said coaches in the country;
- (c) if not, the manner in which the said coaches are acquired; and
- (d) the details of demand and supply thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI KOTLA JAYA SURYA PRAKASH REDDY)

- (a) Yes, Madam.(b) The double decker coaches are presently being manufactured only at Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Introduction of new trains including Double Decker trains is an ongoing process, subject to operational feasibility, traffic pattern and availability of resources. Presently three Double Decker trains and two semi Double Decker trains are running over Indian Railways.Besides, two other Double Decker trains viz. Chennai-Bangalore AC Double-decker Express (Daily) & Habibganj -Indore AC Double Decker Express (Daily) have been announced in Railway Budget 2012-13.

Having started series manufacture of air conditioned Double Decker Coaches at Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala in 2010-11, a total of 62 AC Double Decker Coaches have been manufactured till February'2013.