GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2463 ANSWERED ON:06.02.2014 RUNNING OF TRAINS Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways continue running many trains inspite of incurring commercial losses;
- (b) if so, the details of such trains;
- (c) whether Nandigram Express Trains 11401-11402 from Nagpur to Mumbai is being run inspite of incurring commercial losses;
- (d) if so, whether the Railways are considering to extend Nandigram Express to few other places to curb losses; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

- (a) & (b): Indian Railways do not run trains on purely commercial basis as Indian Railways also has social responsibility of transporting passengers and to connect backward and strategically important locations as well as to provide connectivity of important stations /capital cities to the hinterland.
- (c): Train wise profit and loss are not calculated. However, occupancy of train no. 11401/11402 is more than 100% at present.
- (d) & (e): At present, there is no proposal of extending 1140/11402 Mumbai CST-Nagpur Nandigram Express to other places.