GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4350 ANSWERED ON:20.04.2015 TRAINS ANNOUNCED IN Chandrappa Shri B.N.;Chavda Shri Vinod;Pathak Smt. Riti;Suresh Shri Doddaalahalli Kempegowda

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new trains announced in the Railway Budget for the year 2014-15;

(b) whether it is a fact that the trains announced in the said budget have not been introduced till date and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to expedite the introduction of these new trains; and

(d) the details of the trains which are incurring losses since their introduction and steps taken by the Railways to make up the losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): In Railway Budget 2014-15, introduction of 138 new train services has been announced. Till now, 100 new train services have commenced their operations. Out of the remaining 38 train services, 11 train services are ready for introduction whereas 27 train services are pending introduction due to various constraints like non-availability of Rolling Stock, non-completion of gauge conversion works, non-receipt of necessary clearance from the Commissioner of Railway Safety (in case of newly opened and gauge converted sections), etc. Though, earnest steps/efforts are being taken to get over the above constraints for early introduction of these trains, but the exact date/ time frame cannot be ascertained regarding overcoming these constraints.

(d): Train wise profitability is not separately maintained in Indian Railways. Therefore, details of loss making trains since their introduction are not available.