GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2146 ANSWERED ON:24.07.2014 PERFORMANCE OF RAILWAYS Sampath Shri Anirudhan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are facing a serious problem of low level of employee productivity and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of the Railways that surplus workforce, operation of railway lines with low traffic and nonessential assets are contributory factors for the problem of Railways;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard;

(d) whether the Railways have been reducing their workforce annually over a period of time; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2146 BY DR. A. SAMPATH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2014 REGARDING PERFORMANCE OF RAILWAYS

(a) The productivity of railway employees measured in terms of net tonne kilometers (NTKM) and passenger kilometers (PKM) per employee has shown continuous improvement over the years from 1.01 in 2008-09 to 1.36 in 2012-13.

(b) No, Madam.

(c): Does not arise.

d) & (e) The employees on roll figures as on 01.04.2012 was 1306210, which has increased to 1321140 as on 1.04.2014(provisional). It has been the endeavour of the Railways to identify activities on account of change of technology/changing traffic pattern and at the same time provide optimal levels of manpower for new assets/expanding activities.