GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4802 ANSWERED ON:22.12.2014 OPERATION OF ENGINE WITH CNG Rathwa Shri Ramsinh Patalyabhai

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have developed and tested a kit for operation of diesel engines on Compressed Natural Gas (CNG);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the cost variation between CNG and diesel run engines per hundred kilometer; and

(d) the time by which commercial operation of CNG engines is likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Dual fuel kits (CNG & Diesel) have been procured and tested on Driving power cars (DPCs) in Diesel Electric Multiple Units (DEMUs).

(c) In comparison to diesel engine, a saving of 6% has been realised by use of CNG engines in dual fuel mode.

(d) Commercial operation is already implemented on 4 DPCs that have been converted so far.