GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2645 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021

ARRANGEMENTS FOR KUMBH MELA

2645. DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has made adequate arrangements for the travel of pilgrims who are expected to visit Haridwar during Maha Kumbh Mela, 2021;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of special trains being run by the Government for the said purpose;
- (d) whether the present availability of trains is not sufficient to meet the requirement of a large number of saints and sears, common pilgrims and tourists from across the globe; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e) For the Kumbh Mela (January – April, 2021), at Haridwar, Indian Railways has made adequate arrangements, keeping in view the

concerns and suggestions of State Governments, in view of the prevailing COVID-19 situation. 12 pairs of Kumbh Mela Specials, which are in addition to the existing services bound for Haridwar are being operated. Besides, 15 pairs of trains bound for Haridwar, have also been augmented for generating additional accommodation to the pilgrims.
