

- (ii) About 68,900 nos of trees and shrubs have been planted to protect vacant and encroachment prone Railway land.

#### **Assets and liabilities of Railways**

1550. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA:

PROF. RAM GOPAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of market value of total assets and liabilities of Railways in the country as on 31st March, 2019 and as on 31st August, 2020, zone-wise and division-wise;
- (b) the details of assets/services/activities/liabilities along with their total market value as on date that Railways has decided to privatize or to sell to private players, zone-wise and division-wise; and
- (c) the details of percentage of total value of assets and liabilities of Railways which have been decided to be privatized/sold, zone-wise and division-wise?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) The market value of Railway assets and liabilities is not maintained since Indian Railways is required to prepare Balance Sheet of its assets and liabilities on book value as per extant Government Accounting Rules. Further, the Balance Sheet is prepared on annual basis only. The book value of assets and liabilities of Indian Railways as on 31st March, 2019, as audited by Comptroller and Auditor General of India, is ₹658721.38 crore.

- (b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### **Operating ratio of Indian Railways**

1551. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current Operating Ratio of the Indian Railways finances;
- (b) whether the current Operating Ratio has declined compared to the previous fiscal year; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) to (c) The Operating Ratio of Indian Railways is calculated on a yearly basis and assessed at Budget