## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1570 ANSWERED ON 10.12.2021

#### MODIFICATION OF EXISTING TRAINS

1570 SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: LT.GEN. (DR.) D. P. VATS (RETD.):

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to modify many existing trains;
- (b) if so, how many have been modified and how many have been identified for modification in the near future to make train journey easy and comfortable in Indian Railways, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c) As a part of its modernization endeavour, Indian Railways, have decided to convert trains operating with conventional Integral Coach Factory (ICF) type coaches by Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches, which are technologically superior and provide better travelling experience and safety. To this end, Indian Railways are producing only Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches from 2018 onwards. Till November, 2021, 575 pairs of trains have been replaced with Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches. The conversion of Integral Coach Factory (ICF) coaches to Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches is being done in a phased manner subject to operational feasibility and availability of coaches. In addition, State of the art Vande Bharat Coaches being produced as Train sets are also being inducted. The different Coaches with improved features like Humsafar, Tejas, Antyodaya, Utkrisht Double Decker Air-Conditioned Yatri (UDAY), Mahamana, Deen Dayalu and Vistadome are being inducted over Indian Railways. However, Indian Railways neither operate train services nor undertakes conversion of coaches on state-wise basis.

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