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RAJYA SABHA

**Mechanism developed to runtrains in fog**

3837. SHRJ VEER SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a mechanism has been developed in the country by a mechanic for smooth running of trains even in fog and to avert sabotage but it is not being adopted by the Railways because of red-tapism in the department, as appeared in the media;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the efforts made by Government for trial run of mechanism and its adoption in trains to avoid huge loss to Railways as a result of fog and sabotage; and

(d) whether Government have initiated correspondence with the inventor; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA) : (a) to (e) Shri Surajdin Yadav of District Sultanpur in Uttar Pradesh has claimed to have developed a new technique by which the train would not lose time during run, in fog. He has also claimed that if the train driver consumed alcohol or has suffered heart attack or has gone to sleep or has been killed or thrown out of the train, even then the train can be stopped automatically at the next station with this technique. Since the proposal of Shri Yadav concerns technical aspects, he was asked to submit the details of his proposal to RDSO for detailed scrutiny. However, Shri Yadav has not yet submitted the same to RDSO.

**Concession to patients in Rajdhani/Jan Shatabdi**

3838. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have allowed concession in railway ticket to cancer, thalassemia and heart patients for travelling in mail and express trains;

(b) if so, the de