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1000TH TRIP OF KISAN RAIL OF CENTRAL RAILWAY FLAGGED OFF

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While addressing the gathering Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare said that our country is agriculture oriented and under the able leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi implemented number of initiatives for betterment of farmers. He also said transportation of perishables such as fruits and vegetables to markets at distant places at reasonable cost to get better price through Kisan Rail was one such scheme. Shri Tomar also said that he is very happy to be present on this occasion of flagging off of 1000th trip of Kisan Rail on Central Railway as he was present on the occasion of flagging off of 1st Kisan Rail and 100th Kisan Rail at the hands of Hon'ble Prime Minister.

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Union Minister of Railways said that Hon'ble Prime Minister always keeps the farmer at center of focus and initiated various steps for the betterment of farmers. Kisan Rail is one such initiative which allows farmers to transport their agriculture produce to distant market places economically and quickly. He also mentioned with pride about the banana of Jalgaon which has got GI-Tag. He further congratulated the farmers of Jalgaon and appealed to come forward with suggestions, if any, for further improvement.

Shri Raosaheb Dadarao Patil Danve, Minister of State for Railways, Coal and Mines, Government of India and Smt. Raksha Khadse, Member of Parliament also appreciated the initiatives taken by Railways towards betterment of farmers.

Shri Chandrakant Patil and Shri Shirish Chaudhari, MLAs were present at Savda railway station on the occasion.

Shri V.K. Tripathi, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Railway Board welcomed the gathering and briefed about the running of Kisan Rail since its inception and how it is gathering popularity amongst the small farmers. Shri Anil Kumar Lahoti, General Manager, Central Railway presented the vote of thanks from Mumbai.

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