GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1095 ANSWERED ON 10.02.2023

LACK OF HIGH-SPEED RAIL CORRIDOR IN ODISHA

1095 SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the lack of a high-speed rail corridor through Bhubaneswar and the other major railway stations in odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether Government seeks to include Bhubaneswar on a future rollout of high-speed rail corridor, particularly with Kolkata and Vizag, as envisaged in the Vision 2020 document?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): Presently, Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project is the only sanctioned High Speed Rail (HSR) project in the country.

Being highly capital intensive projects, the decision to sanction any HSR Corridor/Project depends on many factors such as outcome of DPR, techno-economic feasibility, availability of resources and financing options.

(c): No, Sir. No such proposal is under consideration presently.
