

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1752
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2023

STATUS OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS SEEING COST OVERRUNS AND DELAYS

1752. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of infrastructure projects worth ₹150 crore or more which are being monitored by the Ministry, Department-wise break up;
- (b) the number of projects which have reported cost overrun and number of projects that have been delayed;
- (c) the total original cost of implementation of such projects and their anticipated completion cost, cost over runs of the original cost;
- (d) the number of projects for which average time over run is reported to be more than three years; and
- (e) the reasons for reported over runs and delay in implementation of projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS [RAOINDERJIT SINGH]

(a) As per latest Flash Report on Central Sector Projects (Rs 150 crore and above) for the month of October 2023 published by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, total 1,788 projects are being monitored through Online Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS). The Department wise break-up is at Annexure.

(b) & (c) The total 411 projects have reported cost overrun. The original and anticipated cost of such projects is Rs. 6.95 lakh crore and Rs. 11.47 lakh crore respectively. Further, there are 837 projects which have been delayed. The original and anticipated cost of these projects is Rs. 13.61 lakh crore and Rs. 17 lakh crore respectively.

(d) There are 330 projects out of 837 delayed projects for which average time overrun is reported to be more than three years.

(e) The reasons for time and cost overruns are project-specific, depend on a variety of technical, financial and administrative factors, and differ from project to project. However, as reported by the project implementing agencies on this Ministry's OCMS, the main reasons for increase in cost of the projects are: Under-estimation of original cost; Changes in rates of foreign exchange and statutory duties; High cost of environmental safeguards & rehabilitation measures; Spiraling land acquisition costs; Shortage of skilled manpower/ labor; Changes in Project scope; Monopolistic pricing by vendors of equipment services; General Price rise / inflation and Time Overruns and the main reasons for delay in timely completion of the Projects are: law and order problems, delay in land acquisition, delay in environment and forest clearances, funding constraints, rehabilitation and resettlement issues, local body / municipal permissions, utility shifting, contractual issues, etc.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE RAJYA SABHA****UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1752 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18/12/2023****DEPARTMENT WISE BREAK UP OF CENTRAL SECTOR PROJECTS****(as on 31.10.2023)****All Cost and expenditure in Rs Crore**

Sector	No of Projects	Original Cost	Anticipated Cost
ATOMIC ENERGY	5	116741	136736
CIVIL AVIATION	29	18497.53	20525.69
COAL	126	171783.2	179052.2
COMMERCE	1	302.64	302.64
DEFENCE PRODUCTION	1	246.31	195
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION	21	9846.15	10274.53
DONER	1	151.33	151.33
DPIIT	2	24857	25485
FINANCE	3	786.27	831.04
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE	8	6032.68	6192.62
HOME AFFAIRS	5	2025.73	2958.98
MINES	8	7559.78	9166.3
PETROLEUM	155	370138.9	393611.7
POWER	98	263577.4	318355.8
RAILWAYS	247	404609	614279.6
RENEWABLE ENERGY	1	271.9	366.12
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS	994	721665.6	759910.6
SHIPPING AND PORTS	1	5369.18	5362.27
SOCIAL JUSTICE	1	170.99	170.99
STEEL	8	8645.14	8774.03
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	6	39418.57	39418.57
URBAN DEVELOPMENT	26	282284.1	307704.6
WATER RESOURCES	41	23466.28	69700.98
Total	1788	2478446.6	2909526.63