GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3398 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2017

ONGOING PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of ongoing railway projects in Maharashtra and Karnataka;
- (b) whether all the ongoing railway projects are likely to be completed within the fixed time limit;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether new railway projects have also been started in these States and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken for expeditious implementation of projects in Maharashtra?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3398 BY SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.03.2017 REGARDING ONGOING PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA

(a): 5 new lines, 3 gauge conversion and 17 doubling projects falling fully or partly in the State of Maharashtra have been sanctioned which are in different stages of implementation. 14 new lines, 1 gauge conversion and 10 doubling projects in the State of Karnataka have been sanctioned which are in different stages of implementation.

(b) & (c): Completion of Railway projects depends on a number of factors such as land acquisition, forestry and wildlife clearances, shifting of various services, apart from availability of adequate funds. Since many of these factors are beyond the control of the Ministry of Railways, it is not feasible to give time lines for completion of all the projects.

(d): (1) Requisite approvals for commencing Jalgaon-Bhusawal 4th line project (24 km), (falling in Maharashtra) included in Budget 2016-17, have been received.

(2) Following new projects falling partly or fully in the State of Maharashtra or Karnataka have been included in Budget 2016-17 subject to requisite approvals:

S.No.	Plan Head	Project	Length (in km)
1.	New Line	Pune-Nashik	265
2.	New Line	Vaibhavwadi-Kolhapur	107
3.	New Line	Indore-Manmad via Malegaon	368
4.	Doubling	Daund-Manmad	236
5.	Doubling	Manmad-Jalgaon 3 rd line	160
6.	Doubling	Wardha-Nagpur 4 th line	76
7.	Doubling	Birur-Shimoga	60
8.	Doubling	Netravati-Mangalore Central	2

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(e): To expedite completion of projects, Railways have arranged additional funds by way of Institutional Finance from Life Insurance Corporation for funding projects, regular coordination meetings are being held with Ministries / Department / State Government Authorities to expedite clearances. Other measures taken to expedite completion are prioritization of projects, delegation of powers at field level, inviting the State Governments to participate with Railways for resource mobilization for projects, nomination of nodal officers for improved co-ordination with the State Governments etc.

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