GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2646 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018

HIGH SPEED TRAINS

2646 SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:
SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:
SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of railway routes identified for running high speed trains in the coming year in the country;
- (b) whether a viability study on the high speed of trains has already been started between Chennai and Hyderabad sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government contemplating enhancing the speed of all long distance trains; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Six corridors on Diamond Quadrilateral connecting metropolitan cities and growth centres of the country (Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai & Kolkata) have been identified for feasibility studies for high speed rail connectivity viz: (i) Delhi-Mumbai, (ii) Mumbai-Chennai, (iii) Chennai-Kolkata, (iv) Kolkata-Delhi and both diagonals i.e. (v) Delhi-Chennai and (vi) Mumbai-Kolkata routes.

- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Speeding-up of trains across Indian Railways is a continuous process.
