

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1985
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.03.2018**

KONCH-BHIND AND URAI-MAHOBA RAIL LINES

† 1985. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways had proposed Konch-Bhind and Urai-Mahoba rail lines on joint venture basis in the budget of the year 2015;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any public sector undertaking/institution has shown interest in the construction of these railway routes and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has provided funds in this budget for construction of the said railway routes; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a) & (b): The Cabinet has approved creation of Joint Ventures with State Governments for undertaking rail based projects. This decision will enable States to jointly decide their priorities for development of**

backward regions. In the year 2016-17, Railways have indicated some projects which may be undertaken through these means, in partnership with State Governments. These two projects are contained in the list of projects so identified. These projects fall in the States of Madhya Pradesh (MP) and Uttar Pradesh (UP). The Government of MP has signed Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) with Ministry of Railways in May, 2017. However, Government of UP is yet to sign JVA with Ministry of Railways.

(c) to (e): Do not arise.
