GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4303 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 21st MARCH, 2018

REVIEW OF PROGRESS OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

4303. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that many projects in the infrastructure sector are running much behind schedule leading to substantial escalation in the cost of the projects;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government would consider to review the progress of each such project particularly in view of their utility as at present and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action proposed by the Government to ensure timely completion of all infrastructure projects in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS [SHRI VIJAY GOEL]

(a) & (b) Government in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation monitors on-going Central Sector Infrastructure Projects costing Rs. 150 crore and above on time and cost overruns, on the basis of information provided by the project implementing agencies on the On-line Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS) of this ministry. As on 01.01.2018, 104 projects which are running behind schedule leading to substantial escalation in the cost of the projects.

The state-wise details of these projects are available in the flash report at www. cspm.gov.in/publications.

- (c) There is no such proposal in this regard.
- (d) The major action plan undertaken to ensure completion of Central Sector Infrastructure Projects without time and cost overruns include: rigorous project appraisal; On-line Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS) for better monitoring; setting up of Revised Cost Committees in the Ministries for fixation of responsibility for time and cost overruns; regular review of infrastructure projects by the concerned administrative Ministries; and setting up of Central Sector Projects Coordination Committees (CSPCCs) in the States under the concerned Chief Secretaries for removal of bottlenecks and for facilitating the speedy implementation of major projects.

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