

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 901
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018**

MAKE IN INDIA POLICY

901. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has floated an international tender for the procurement of Rails;**
- (b) if so, the value of tender within the threshold of the “Make in India” policy that requires all infrastructure projects worth more than 500 million rupees to use locally-made steel;**
- (c) the details of the intended purchase quantity against actual purchase of rails for the last three years, year-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has evaluated Indian corporations/ companies that can meet the criteria and requirements of the Rails and if not, the reason therefor; and**
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken a study to evaluate the impact of shortage of rails on the maintenance and expansion work of the Indian Railways and if so, the details thereof?**

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 901 BY SHRI RAVNEET SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2018 REGARDING MAKE IN INDIA POLICY

(a), (b) and (d): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Railways have floated global tender following 2 packets system for procurement of 4.87 lakh Metric Tonnes of Rails to meet the shortfall in supply of rails by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), subject to placement of developmental order of 20% of quantity under procurement on domestic producer provided Railways is prima facie satisfied that they are technically suitable and capable of executing the order.

(c) Indian Railway's requirement and quantity of rails supplied to Indian Railways during 2014-15 to 2016-17 by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) are as under:

Year	Indian Railway's Requirement of Rails	Supply of Rails by SAIL
	(in Metric Tonnes)	
2014-2015	580750	583787
2015-2016	812417	645514
2016-2017	825000	620050

(e) Indian Railways has prioritized the track maintenance works to ensure safety and therefore presently for track renewal works rails are supplied on priority.
