GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1255 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018

SIGNALLING SYSTEM

1255. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has lined up mega investment to scale up its operations, including a revamp of the signaling system across its network and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Railways is considering electric locomotive unit and a station development plan for large cities such as Mumbai, etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways is planning extensive consultations to work out a model that serves the twin goals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) A work for modernisation of complete Signaling system on Indian Railways has been included in the works programme 2018-19 for implementation on complete 60,000 Route Kilometres (RKMs) on Broad Gauge (BG) network of Indian Railways subject to expenditure on this project to be made only after following due processes/mandatory approvals and sanctions.

(b) As far as Electric locomotive unit is concerned, there is no plan for installation of Electric locomotive unit for large cities such as Mumbai. As far as Station development is concerned, Indian Railways have planned for redevelopment of major railway stations by making Indian Railway Station Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC) as nodal Agency, through simplified procedures and with longer lease tenures. These include Railway stations situated in Mumbai. The entire cost of station redevelopment is to be met by leveraging commercial development of land and air space in and around the station.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.

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