GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2350 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 01st AUGUST, 2018

COST OVERRUN OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

2350. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the cost of infrastructure projects worth Rs. 150 crore and above has increased unprecedentedly due to delay or other reasons;
- (b) if so, the quantum of increase in the cost thereof and the names of such projects; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the completion of these projects?

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) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation monitors on-going Central Sector Infrastructure Projects costing Rs. 150 crore and above on time and cost overruns through its On-line Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS). As on 01.05.2018, a total of 1332 projects with original completion cost of Rs 16,26,675.52 crore were on the monitor of this Ministry. Of these, 343 are showing cost overruns of Rs. 2,92,096.99 (68.33%) due to delay or other reasons. The details of such projects are available in the flash report at www. cspm.gov.in/publications.
- (c) The major steps taken to expedite the completion of the ongoing Central Sector Infrastructure Projects include:
- (i) Project appraisal by the respective Ministries;
- (ii) On-line Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS);

- (iii) Setting up of Revised Cost Committees in the Ministries for fixation of responsibility for time and cost overruns;
- (iv) Regular review of infrastructure projects by the concerned administrative Ministries; and
- (v) Setting up of Central Sector Projects Coordination Committees (CSPCCs) in the concerned States under the chairmanship of Chief Secretaries for removal of bottlenecks and facilitating speedy implementation of major projects.
