GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2386 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2018

COST OVERRUN OF PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that 60% of the Railway projects are facing huge cost overrun due to various reasons and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the cost overrun amounts to Rs. 1.61 lakh crore due to projects running behind schedule; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): The completion of Railway projects requires clearance from various departments of State Government and Central Ministries like acquisitions of land, statutory clearance like forestry and wild life, shifting of utilities etc., which affect the pace and timely execution of projects, hence the cost overrun.
