GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3523 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2018

DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINES IN GUJARAT

3523. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has received representations from various organisations/road users as well as from the Government of Gujarat for doubling of railway lines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon along with the time-frame fixed for each project;
- (c) the number of surveys that have been proposed for doubling of railway lines in Gujarat during the last three years *i.e.* from 2011-12 to 2016-17;
- (d) the number of surveys of doubling of railway lines started and completed along with the time by which the remaining projects will be started and completed; and
- (e) the status of work related to doubling of Rajkot-Veraval railway line that has been taken up and the time-frame fixed for its completion?

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.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3523 BY DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.08.2018 REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINES IN GUJARAT

(a): Requests for doubling, both formal as well as informal, are received by Railways at various levels i.e. Railway Board, Zonal Railways and Divisional Headquarters, etc. As receipt of such requests/suggestions is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained.

(b) to (d): Surveys for 9 doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat have been completed during the last five years i.e. 2011-12 to 2016-17. All the surveys have been completed. The details of the surveys and their status are as under:

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S. No.		Year of sanction	Year of Complet- ion	KMS	Cost	Status
1	Vatva- Ahemdabad- Sabarmati 4 th line	2015-16	2016-17	18	231	Work sanctioned in 2015-16. Earthwork, bridges works, ballast supply etc. are in different stages of progress.
2	Surendranagar -Rajkot doubling	2015-16	2016-17	116	1002	Work sanctioned in 2015-16. Earthwork, bridges works, ballast supply etc. are in different stages of progress.

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3	Anand- Godhara doubling	2017-18		79	683	Work included in Budget 2017-18 subject to requisite approvals from the Government. Detailed Project Report (DPR) under preparation.
4	Rajkot-Okha doubling	2012-13	2016-17	252	1997	Survey completed & report under examination.
5	Rajkot- Junagarh (Ahmedabad- Junagarh doubling)	2011-12	2017-18	103	812	Survey completed and the proposal could not be taken forward due to its un- remunerative nature.
6	Rajkot-Veraval (Junagarh- Veraval) doubling	2013-14		85		Survey taken up.
7	Makarpura- Vadodara 'P' (8.5 km) 3 rd line & 4 th line	2015-16		9		Survey taken up.
8	Utran- Ankleshwar (46 km) 3 rd & 4 th line	2015-16		46		Survey taken up.

9	Mehsana-	2018-19	65	529.	Work included in
	Palanpur			30	the Budget
	doubling				2018-19 subject
					to requisite
					approvals from
					the Government.
					Detailed Project
					Report (DPR) is
					under
					preparation.

(e): As of now, only survey of doubling of Rajkot-Veraval railway line has been taken up in two parts i.e. Rajkot-Junagarh (103 km) and Junagarh-Veraval (83 km).

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