

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.69
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2018**

BRICK MAKING PROJECT

†69. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Railways is seriously considering to launch brick making project by clay/waste soil;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any step in this regard; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c) No, Madam. Railways do not have any serious plan to launch brick making project by clay/waste soil, except that Northeast Frontier Railway has awarded a contract costing ₹ 5.5 crore to make Soil Cement Blocks (SCBs) by using excess excavated soil in Jiribam-Tupul Project to meet with local conditions. SCBs are planned to be utilised for protection works of bridges, pitching of slopes, steps and lining of drains in the Project.
