GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3635 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.01.2019

OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF DMIC

3635. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA: SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has received any request from the Government of Gujarat for development of various railway lines for overall development of Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the current status of (a) doubling of BG rail lines at (1) Bharuch-Samni-Dahej (2) Surendranagar-Botad-Dhasa-Rajula-Pipavav (3) Surendranagar-Virmgam-Mehsana (4) Palanpur-Bhildi-Samkhyali-Gandhidham-Mundra and (b) New Railway lines at (1) Bhavnagar-Adhelai-Dholka-Vataman-Petlad (2) Dholera-Bhimnath; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways to fast track these projects?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3635 BY SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA AND SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.01.2019 REGARDING OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF DMIC

(a) & (b): Ministry of Railways had received request from Government of Gujarat for linking the Dholera Special Investment Region (DSIR) under Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) Project to Bhimnath.

(c): The current status of the projects is as under:-

SI. No.	Name of the project	Status	
(i)			
1	Bharuch-Samni-Dahej	Gauge conversion of this section has been completed and commissioned. At present, there is no proposal for doubling of this section.	
2	Surendrabagar-Botad- Dhasa-Rajula-Pipavav	There is no proposal for doubling of the section.	
3	Surendranagar- Virmgam-Mehsana	 (i) Doubling of Viramgam-Surendranagar (65 Km) section has been completed and commissioned in 2015. (ii) Viramgam-Mahesana: There is no proposal for doubling of this section. 	
4	Palanpur-Bhildi- Samkhyali- Gandhidham-Mundra	Palanpur-Bhildi- Samkhyali-Gandhidham-Mundra: On this route, (i) Doubling of Palanpur-Bhildi- Samkhyali has been taken up. (ii)Samkhyali-Gandhidham-Adipur-Mundra is already an existing double line broad gauge section.	

SI. No.	Name of the project	Status	
(ii)	(ii) New Railway lines		
1.	Bhavnagar-Adhelai- Dholka-Vataman- Petlad	Survey for Bhavnagar to Tarapur New line via Dholera has been completed. Cost of this line has been assessed as 745 Crore with rate of return of (-)1%; the project was not found justified.	
2.	Dholera-Bhimnath	Ministry of Railways has already given "in principle" approval for execution under Non Government Railway (NGR) model of Participative policy to Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor Development Corporation Ltd (DMICDC).	

(d): Sanctioned projects have been taken up in right earnest. These have been entrusted to executing agencies and adequate funds have been provided. Other measures taken up to expedite completion are prioritisation of projects, delegation of powers at field level, inviting the State Governments to participate with Railways for resource mobilisation for projects, nomination of nodal officers for improved coordination with State Government etc.
