GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 426 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

PENDING RAIL PROJECTS

426. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of ongoing and pending rail projects in the country, State-wise and zone-wise;
- (b) whether many ongoing rail projects are getting delayed causing huge escalation in cost;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the project-wise and State/zone-wise details of funds expected for completion of such projects and the amount spent till date on these projects; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways to complete these projects at the earliest in order to avoid further cost escalation?

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 426 BY SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 12.12.2018 REGARDING PENDING RAIL PROJECTS

(a): At present, 183 New Lines, 57 Gauge Conversion and 263 Doubling Projects are in different stage of execution. State-wise details of projects are as under:-

Name of State	No. of projects*		
	New	Gauge	Doubling
	Line	Conversion	
Assam & North Eastern	15	-	6
Region			
Andhra Pradesh	18	-	15
Bihar	34	5	14
Chhattisgarh	8	-	9
Delhi	1	-	5
Gujarat	4	25	13
Haryana	7	1	3
Himachal Pradesh	4	-	-
Jammu & Kashmir	1	-	2
Jharkhand	17	-	18
Karnataka	17	-	15
Kerala	2	-	8
Madhya Pradesh	8	5	26
Maharashtra	12	4	18
Odisha	11	-	25
Punjab	6	-	8
Rajasthan	10	6	15
Telangana	9	-	5
Tamil Nadu	8	5	9
Uttar Pradesh	15	8	61
Uttarakhand	3	-	1
West Bengal	17	4	36

^{*} Some of the projects fall in more than one State.

(b) & (c): The completion of Railway projects requires coordination with various departments for acquisition of land, statutory clearances, shifting of utilities etc. leading to cost overrun.

- (d): The details of all works in progress and new works including, funds spent on each project, allotment of funds and expenditure are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website i.e. www.indianrailways.gov.in and are also available in Pink Books presented before the House along with Budget every year.
- (e): For timely completion of the projects, Railway is holding regular meetings with stakeholder on various issues involving alignment, land acquisition, statutory clearances, law & order issues, shifting of utilities etc.

For important projects, capacity enhancement projects, last mile connectivity etc, institutional financing has been done by arranging loan from M/s Life Insurance Corporation of India Limited for ₹ 1.5 lakh crore, which has increased Railways' capacity for committed fund provision for essential projects.
