GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5060 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2019

KANKER-BHANUPRATAPPUR RAILWAY LINE

†5060. SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kanker district of Bastar division is naxal affected scheduled tribes district of Chhattisgarh State;

(b) if so, whether the long pending demand of this district to link the Kanker district headquarters with railway line has been connected upto Bhanupratappur only;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to extend railway line from Bhanupratappur to Kanker district headquarters; and

(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) Railway projects are not sanctioned district wise. These projects are sanctioned based on many factors including operational requirement, last mile connectivity, financial viability, willingness of State Govt. to share the cost of project etc. New line project from Dallirajahara to Jagdalpur via Rowghat (235 km) is already in progress. This includes Bhanupratapur which falls in Kanker district. Railway line from Dalli Rjahara to Keoti via Bhanupratapur has already been completed. There is no proposal to connect Bhanupratapur to Kanker.

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