GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1204 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022

NEW PIT LINES

1204. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned new pit lines in Western Railway Zone during the last five years, division-wise;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with dates of commencement and completion, division-wise;
- (c) whether the pit line at Rajkot is capable of handling primary and secondary maintenances including Rajdhani, Vande Bharat and Gatiman like trains;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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. 1204 BY SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.12.2022 REGARDING NEW PIT LINES

(a) & (b): The following works regarding sanction of Pit Lines in Western Railway have been sanctioned in the last 5 years:-

SN	Station/	Name of Work	No.	Sanction	Remarks
	Division		of	Year	
			Pit		
			lines		
1.	MEMU shed	Vadodara Yard-	02	2017-18	Work
	/Vadodara	Expansion &			started on
	division	Modernization of			16.05.2018.
		MEMU car shed to			
		cater to 16 car 30			
		rake holding			
2.	Sabarmati/	Left over facilities	02	2017-18	Work under
	Ahmedabad	for			progress.
	division	operationalisation			95% work
		of coaching			completed.
		terminal			
3.	Udhna/	Provision of 2 nos	02	2018-19	Work
	Mumbai	of washing cum			completed.
	Central	inspection pit lines			
	division	for Second			
		terminal			

4.	Rajkot/	Replacement of pit	01	2018-19	Work
	Rajkot	line as per			started on
	division	CAMTECH design.			26.06.2019.
5.	Bandra	Provision of 3 nos.	03	2021-22	Detailed
	Terminus/	of Washing cum			estimate
	Mumbai	Inspection pit			under
	Central	lines by converting			sanction.
	division	one stabling line			
		cum washing line			
		and two dry pit			
		inspection lines.			

The completion of these works depends on various factors like quick land acquisition, forest clearance, if any, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, law and order situation in area of project site etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the project. With above constraints, every effort is being made to execute the work(s) expeditiously.

(c) to (e): The existing pit line at Rajkot is suitable for primary and secondary maintenance of trains including Rajdhani & Gatiman Express.

Vande Bharat Express can also be maintained in this depot as per operational and maintenance requirement with upgradation of existing infrastructure.
