GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 217 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023

BUDGET OUTLAY AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

*217. SHRI COSME FRANCISCO CAITANO SARDINHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the budget outlay and actual expenditure incurred by the Railways, including Konkan Railways for capital expenditure in the State of Goa during the last five years;
- (b) the number of construction projects that were sanctioned in the State during the last five years and the progress made in this regard; and
- (c) the number of projects that were stalled along with the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 217 BY SHRI COSME FRANCISCO CAITANO SARDINHA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.03.2023 REGARDING BUDGET OUTLAY AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

(a): Railway projects are sanctioned and taken up Zonal Railwaywise and not State-wise as the Indian Railways' projects may span across various State boundaries.

As on 01.04.2022, two doubling projects of total length 379 Km costing ₹4929 Cr, falling fully/partly in the state of Goa are in different stage of planning/ execution, out of which 288 Km doubling has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹2889 Cr has been incurred so far. These include:

- (i) Hospet-Hubli-Londa-Tinaighat-Vasco da Gama doubling project of length 363 kilometers and costing ₹3037.1 crores and
- (ii) Chandargaon- Cansaulium Rail Flyover project of length 16 kilometers was included in Financial Year 2019-20 costing ₹1892 crore.

Railway projects in Goa falls in South Western Railway zone of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of all Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website i.e. www.indianrailways.gov.in > Ministry of Railways >Railway Board >About Indian Railways >Railway Board Directorates >Finance (Budget) >Rail Budget/Pink Book (Year)> Railway wise Works Machinery and Rolling Stock Programme.

For Konkan Railways, Budget outlay of Government of India is ₹52.84 crores and Budget outlay of Konkan Railway is ₹28.98 crores during last five years for capital expenditure in the State of Goa. Fund borrowed by Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. for Capital Expenditure in the state of Goa is ₹82.97 crores. Actual Capital Expedniture incurred by Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. in the state of Goa is ₹164.29 crores.

- (b): Chandargaon- Cansaulim Rail Flyover project of length 16 kilometers, costing ₹1892 crore, was included in Budget 2019-20 subject to obtaining requisite Government Clearances. Final Location Survey for the preparation of Detailed Project Report has been taken up.
- (c): The completion of any Railway project(s) depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project(s) site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the project(s). With above constraints, every effort is being made to execute the project(s) expeditiously.
