GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3674 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2023

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN LADAKH

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the railway projects in Ladakh in terms of fund allocation, railway route proposed plans of works and the timeline fixed for completion of these projects;

(b) whether railway projects for Ladakh have been initiated from inner connection route within Ladakh, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it has been surveyed that Railways connectivity in Ladakh is likely

to be sustainable with Himalayan environment, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): As on 01.04.2022, One New Rail Line project i.e. Bilaspur-Manali-Leh new line falling partly in UT of Ladakh is identified as strategic line by Ministry of Defence. Final Location Survey (FLS) of Bilaspur-Manali-Leh new line project (489 km) has been completed and Detailed Project Report has been prepared. The project is not sanctioned, as such, no time line can be fixed for its commencement. The Detailed Project Report of the project includes inter-alia the geological and environmental study of the region.

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