GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5447 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

MUMBAI AHMEDABAD BULLET TRAIN PROJECT

†5447. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the foundation stone of Mumbai-Ahmedabad bullet train project was laid on 14th September, 2017;

(b) if so, the present status of this rail project and the amount spent on it so far;

(c) the initial cost of this rail project along with the cost escalation with regard to the said project at present;

(d) whether any time limit has been fixed for the completion of the project; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b):Yes, Sir. The ground-breaking ceremony of Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) project was held on 14.09.2017 in presence of Hon'ble Prime Ministers of India and Japan. The current status of MAHSR Project is as under:-

- Till February, 2023, Physical Progress of 32.93% in Gujarat and 13.72% in Maharashtra has been achieved.
- Till now, out of total 352 km elevated viaduct, approx. 257 km of piling, 180 km of foundation, 155 km of the pier and 37 km of girder launching have been completed in Gujarat and Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

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 An expenditure of ₹ 38,506 crore has so far been incurred on MAHSR project.

(c) to (e): The total cost of MAHSR project was estimated as ₹ 1,08,000 crore in 2015. The execution of the project has been affected due to delay in land acquisition in the State of Maharashtra and consequent delays in finalization of contracts as well as adverse impact of COVID-19. The anticipated cost and timeline can be ascertained only after completion of land acquisition, finalization of all contracts and associated timelines.

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