GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3262 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

BUDGET FOR NATIONAL RAIL PLAN

3262. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian railways has evolved a National Rail Plan (NRP) covering the period 2021-2051;
- (b) if so, the details of the amount of expenditure envisaged as per the plan and is planned to be mobilized;
- (c) whether the entire amount to be invested is to be funded from the General Budget; and
- (d) the details of amount spent or budgeted for NRP during 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3262 BY SHRI S. VENKATESAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2023 REGARDING BUDGET FOR NATIONAL RAIL PLAN

(a) to (d) Indian Railways have prepared National Rail Plan (NRP) to create a 'future ready' Railway system for India. It aims to formulate strategies based on both operational capacities and commercial policy initiatives to increase the share of Railways in freight transportation. The objective of the Plan is to create capacity ahead of demand, which in turn would also cater to the future growth in demand upto 2050.

The NRP envisaged funding of projects through various sources such as Gross Budgetary Support, Internal Accruals, Extra Budgetary Resources, Institutional Financing and external investments (Public Private Partnerships comprising Infra-JVs, Annuity, Land etc., market financing from private investors). Total estimated cost of proposals in NRP is more than `38 lakh cr.

Details of total Capex spent during 2020-21 to 2023-24 are as under:

Year	Expenditure (in Cr)
2020-21	1,55,181.02
2021-22	1,90,267.07
2022-23	2,03,982.99 (provisional)
2023-24 (BE)	2,60,200.00
