GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3195

TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 21, 2023

REGIONAL RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM

No. 3195: SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK: Dr. SATYAPAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved the completion of the Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) project from Delhi to Panipat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is a strong demand for direct connectivity of Metro Rail and further expansion of Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut corridor of Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

(a) & (b): No, sir. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) with approval and financial commitment of Government of Haryana for Delhi-Panipat Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) corridor has been received. However, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) has not provided for the approval on the DPR of Delhi-Panipat RRTS corridors. (c) & (d): Yes, sir. This Ministry had received a reference to extend the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS corridor till Muzaffarnagar in Uttar Pradesh. The respective State Government(s) are responsible for initiating, developing and funding urban transport infrastructure including RRTS projects and Central Government considers financial assistance to urban rail based system based on feasibility of the proposal, necessity and availability of resources, as and when posed by the concerned State Government(s), in accordance with the provisions of the Metro Rail Policy, 2017. Accordingly, this Ministry had asked Government of Uttar Pradesh to conduct detailed traffic survey alongwith alternative analysis on Meerut-Muzaffarnagar corridor and based on the outcome of such detailed traffic study report, a DPR be prepared for most appropriate transport systems. At present, no DPR has been received in the Ministry for extension of Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS corridor.
