GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2641 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021

FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

2641. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated Rs 3245 crore for South Western Railway to implement railway projects for 2021-22;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including new lines sanctioned, doubling projects, electrification works, etc. that have been approved;
- (c) the present status of Kadur to Chikmagalur, Mysore to Mangalore, Birur to Talaguppa, Chikkbanavar to Hassan and Mysore to Chamarajanagar electrification projects as on 31 January 2021;
- (d) the present status of doubling projects viz. Birur to Shimoga, Kankanadi to Panambur, Arasikere to Tumkur, Hubli to Chikjajur and Hospte to Vasco as on 31 January, 2021;
- (e) whether there are still more than 3000 km of railway lines to be electrified which is falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka till date and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the quantum of funds allocated for electrification during the current year and whether it is sufficient to meet the target?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2641 BY KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.03.2021 REGARDING FUND ALLOCATED FOR SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

(a) : The total net outlay, for Capital Expenditure on South Western Railway in Budget Estimates 2021-22 is ₹ 3114.89 crore (excluding ₹ 425.30 crore of EBR (Partnership)). The outlay includes ₹ 219.00 crore for Minor-Head New Lines and ₹ 1254.36 crore for Minor-Head Doubling. Electrification projects over all Indian Railways are executed centrally by Central Organisation for Railway Electrification (CORE) and after execution these are handed over to concerned Railways by CORE. Outlays for Electrification Projects are thus not part of individual Railways' Budget.

(b) : As on 1.4.2020, 34 projects (20 New Line and 14 Doubling) covering a total length of 4307 km and costing ₹ 47376 crore, falling fully or partly in South Western Railway are in different stages of planning, sanction and execution. Presently, 13 Electrification projects of 2,644 km length in South Western Railway are under different stages of planning and execution.

(c) : Present status of electrification projects as on 31 January 2021 is as under –

| Kadur-Chikmagalur | Under process of tendering |
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| Mysore-Mangalore | Under process of tendering |
| Birur-Talaguppa | Under process of tendering |
| Chikkabanavar-Hassan | – Under process of tendering |
| Mysore-Chamarajanagar | - Tender awarded on 22.01.2021 |

(d) : Present status of Doubling projects is as under -

Birur-Shimoga (62.90 km) – The project was included in Budget 2016-17 subject to requisite approvals. As per Detailed Project Report, the cost of the project was ₹ 383 crore with Rate of Return (ROR) of 3.37% only. Line capacity utilisation of existing single line is below 60%. In view of persistent demand from public representatives, State Government was requested to share 50% cost of project besides providing land free of cost. Consent of State Government was not received, as such, project could not be taken forward. Kankanadi-Panambur (18.66 km) – The project was included in Budget 2006-07. The latest anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 350 crore. So far 16.43 km length has been completed and an expenditure of ₹ 262 crore has been incurred. Work has been taken up in balance section.

Arasikere-Tumkur (96 km) – The project was included in Budget 2015-16. The latest anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 762 crore. So far, an expenditure of ₹ 616 crore has been incurred and 74 km length has been commissioned. Work has been taken up in balance section.

Hubli-Chikjajur (190 km) – The project was included in Budget 2015-16. The latest anticipated cost of the project is \gtrless 1656 crore. So far, an expenditure of \gtrless 1135 crore has been incurred and 85 km doubling has been commissioned. Work has been taken up in balance section.

Hospet-Vasco (323 km) – The project was included in Budget 2010-11. The latest anticipated cost of the project is \gtrless 3000 crore. So far, an expenditure of $\end{Bmatrix}$ 1857 crore has been incurred. Hospet-Tinaighat (245 km) including Hubli by-pass has been commissioned and work has been taken up in balance section.

(e) : Presently, 14 Electrification projects of 3,045 km length falling fully or partly in the state of Karnataka are under different stages of planning and execution. Details are as under –

| S.No. | Description | Total route km |
|-------|--|-------------------|
| 1 | Bangarapet-Yelajanka | 149 |
| 2 | Birur-Talguppa | 161 |
| 3 | Chikbanavar-Hassan | 166 |
| 4 | Chikbanavar-Hubli | 456 |
| 5 | Chikjajur-Bellary | 184 |
| 6 | Gadag-Hotgi | 284 |
| 7 | Hospet-Hubli-Vasco da Gama | 346 |
| 8 | Hospet-Swamihalli | 59 |
| 9 | Kadur-Chikmagalur | 46 |
| 10 | Miraj-Londa | 189 |
| 11 | Mysuru-Hassan-Mangalore incl Arsikere-Hassan | 347 |
| 12 | Mysuru-Chamrajanagar | 61 |
| 13 | Parli Vaijnath-Vikarabad | 269 |
| 14 | Shoranur-Mangalore-Penambur | 328 |
| | | 3045 |

(f) : During the current year 2020-21, net outlay of $\overline{}$ 6590.75 crore (including Extra Budgetary Resources) has been provided for Electrification Projects to meet the targets, while for 2021-22 the net outlay is $\overline{}$ 7532 crore, which is sufficient.

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