GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 275 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2021

RAILWAY PROJECT IN RAJASTHAN

275. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Railway projects that are pending in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to sanction any new projects in the State; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (C) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 275 BY SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.02.2021 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECT IN RAJASTHAN

(a): Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise, not State-wise, as Indian Railways' network spans across various State boundaries. However, as on 01.04.2020, 30 projects (11 new lines, 05 gauge conversion and 14 doubling) covering a total length of 5,173 km and costing ₹57,247 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan are in different stages of Planning/Sanction/Execution.

Average Annual Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan, during 2014-19 has increased to ₹2,951 crore per year, from ₹682 crore per year (during 2009-14). Thus, an increase of 333% over the average annual budget allocation of 2009-14 (₹682 crore per year).

Budget allotment for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan for financial year 2019-20 was ₹4686 crore, which is 587% more w.r.t. 2009-14. Budget allocation of ₹4582 crore has been provided for Financial Year 2020-21, which is 572% more with respect to average Budget outlay for 2009-14.

During 2009-14, 798 Km length (61 Km New Line, 675 Km Gauge Conversion and 62 Km Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan was commissioned at an average rate of 160 Km per year.

During 2014-19, 1517 Km (80 Km New Line, 484 Km Gauge Conversion and 953 Km Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan has been commissioned at an average rate of 303 Km per year, indicating an increase of 90% over the commissioning during 2009-14.

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(b) & (c): Sanction of projects for development of Railways is a continuous process. Railway projects are sanctioned, based on demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives and Railways' own requirement, participation by State Government or private entities etc. They are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes etc.
