GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2636 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

MUMBAI-AHMEDABAD HIGH SPEED RAILWAY PROJECT

2636. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has reviewed the ongoing Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail Project that has faced several delays due to the slow pace of land acquisition and the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken to tide over all these impediments to complete the ongoing Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed Railway project;
- (d) the revised deadline fixed by the Government to complete the project; and
- (e) the total budget earmarked and total amount spent on the project till now?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): The Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project has suffered delay due to adverse impact of COVID-19 pandemic and due to poor progress in acquisition and handing over of land in the State of Maharashtra. The State Government of Maharashtra is being regularly followed up at all levels to expedite the acquisition of balance land. The revised timeline for completion of the project can be fixed after the acquisition of complete land in the State of Maharashtra.

Budget Allocation for the project in the current year 2021-22 is ₹ 14,000 Cr and expenditure incurred in the current year till date is ₹ 2,090 Cr. The cumulative expenditure on this project till date is ₹ 14,153 Cr.
