LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2493
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2022

ELECTRIFICATION WORKS IN TAMIL NADU

2493. DR. T. R. PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the electrification works on various railway lines across the country is going on at snail pace;

(b) if so, whether the Railways has fixed any time-line to complete 100% electrification in a time phased manner across the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of electrification works of railway lines that are completed/under progress/partially completed in Tamil Nadu; and

(e) the time by which all these works are likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2493 BY DR. T. R. PAARIVENDHAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.03.2022 REGARDING ELECTRIFICATION WORKS IN TAMIL NADU

(a) No, Sir. Significant progress has already been made in this regard and Indian Railways is electrifying all Broad Gauge rail lines expeditiously. During 2014-21, routes of 24,080 RKM have been commissioned on electric traction against 4,337 RKM commissioned during 2007-14, an increase of 455%.

(b) & (e) The completion of Electrification project depends upon various factors like clearances from the concerned Departments/State Governments/Central Ministries, completion of Transmission Line works by State Power Utilities and resolution of law & order issues during execution, which are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways. Therefore, it is not feasible to fix time lines for completion of the project.

(c) Does not arise

(d) As on 01.03.2022, out of 3,864 Route Km of Broad Gauge routes, 3,064 Routes Km have been electrified in the State of Tamil Nadu. Electrification works on the balance Broad Gauge routes are under different stages of execution and planned for completion in phased manner.

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