GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1736 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2022

PUNE-MIRAJ-LONDHA DOUBLING WORKS

1736. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the track doubling work of Pune-Miraj-Londha railway line is likely to adversely affect the agricultural activities in the adjoining areas with respect to change of landscape resulting in waterlogging, disruption of traditional farm transportation routes, damage to irrigation line crossings etc.;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has made any plans and provisions to ensure that the above factors are mitigated to prevent any adverse effects on adjoining agricultural activities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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. 1736 BY SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.07.2022 REGARDING PUNE-MIRAJ-LONDHA DOUBLING WORKS

(a) to (c): Railway has taken up Pune-Miraj-Londa (466 km) doubling project. Cost of the project is ₹4028 crore. An expenditure of ₹2317 crore has been incurred upto March 2022 and an outlay of ₹1567 crore has been provided for the financial year 2022-23. So far, 146 km doubling has been commissioned and work taken up in balance section.

Doubling of Railway track between Pune-Miraj-Londa section is taken up parallel to existing railway line. Construction of all the major, minor and important bridges has been carried out by keeping the same water ways or more with respect to already existing in the single line. Additional pipe crossings have also been provided to be used to pass the pipe lines for watering arrangement of agricultural land on either side of existing alignment or proposed by doubling. Hence, there is no adverse effect on the agricultural activities in the adjoining area due to laying of double line in this section.
