GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1113 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015

IMPLEMENTATION OF RAIL PROJECTS

1113. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any plan to connect North-Eastern States with East Asia and South East Asia under Act East Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have also any plan to start a similar Asian trilateral railway connecting India, Myanmar and Thailand trilateral highway;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of the funds spent/to be spent by the Railways to study the feasibility of such railway projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) & (b): There is currently no sanctioned rail connectivity work to link

 North Eastern States with East Asia or South East Asia.
- (c) & (d): No, Madam. At present there is no proposal for starting an Asian trilateral railway connecting India, Myanmar and Thailand due to long stretches of missing links.
- (e): Does not arise.
