GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2092 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015

SPV TO BUILD PORT

2092. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether to the Railways have noticed that only a few States hold equity stakes in a special purpose vehicle created to lay rail lines for connectivity of ports projects and also to connect mines and industrial hubs to existing rail network;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether many rail projects languish due to delay inland acquisition process;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2092 BY SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2015 REGARDING SPV TO BUILD PORT

(a) & (b): The following States or their entities hold equity stakes in Joint Ventures created for implementing rail connectivity to following Ports/Mines/Industrial hubs:

State	Name of project	Ports/Mines	Estimated Cost of Project ₹ in Crore
Karnataka	Hassan-Mangalore (Gauge Conversion)	Mangalore Port	293
Gujarat	Gandhidham-Palanpur (Gauge Conversion)	Kandla Port	550
Gujarat	Bharauch-Dahej (Gauge Conversion)	Dahej Port	395
Odisha	Haridaspur-Paradip (New line)	Paradip Port	1602
Odisha	Angul-Sukinda (New line)	Coal & Iron Ore Mines	1337
Andhra Pradesh	Obullavaripalle- Krishnapatnam (New line)	Krishnapatnam Port	1203
Chhattisgarh	Rowghat-Jagdalpur (New line)	Iron Ore Mines	2000
Chhattisgarh	Gevera-Pendra Road (New line)	Coal Mines	838
Chhattisgarh	Kharasia- Dharamjaigarh- Donga-Mahua (New line)	Coal Mines	1647
Maharashtra	Digni -Jaigarh New line,	Jaigarh Port	771

(c) & (d): Ministry of Railways carried out a survey in 2014-15 and identified projects which are severely delayed on account of land acquisition. The details are as under:-

Plan Head	No. of projects	Length
New Lines	38	3901
Gauge Conversion	7	2053
Doubling	28	1293

(e): To reduce delays on account of land acquisition, meeting with State Government officials at various levels are held from time to time.
