GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2261 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015

INVESTMENT IN RAILWAYS

2261. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a). whether the Railways have taken note that the income of South Central Railway (SCR) is more than the investment it received;
- (b). if so, the details of the investment made and revenue earned by each zone during Eleventh and Twelfth Plan period zonewise along with the reasons for such low investment in SCR; and
- (c). the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2261 BY SHRI SUMAN BALKA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2015 REGARDING INVESTMENT IN RAILWAYS

(a)&(b) The revenue earnings and capital investments made by the Zonal Railways (including SCR) during Eleventh and Twelfth Plan period is appended.

There is no co-relation between earnings and investments made in the Zonal Railways. Investments are basically capital expenditure on sanctioned works and projects which are made essentially on operational, safety and functional necessity.

(c) Zonal Railways, for reasons of their geographical location, state of industrialization/ commercial /business activity, are not placed evenly in respect of traffic earnings whereas investments are required to be made in each zone to enhance the operational and functional capability of the system and also to expand the network. Hence, no corrective steps are required in the matter.

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