GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2884 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2015

GAUGE CONVERSION

2884. SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that gauge conversion of Bankura-Damodar River Railway and its extension upto Mosagram has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that only rake is running between Mosagram to Bankura once in a day and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the railways has received any memorandum demanding increase in the frequency of the train services as there is no other means of transport in the area; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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. 2884 BY SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.12.2015 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION.

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. Bankura-Damodar River Railway has been completed & commissioned as per the following details:

S No.	Project	Date of Commissioning
1	Bankura-Sonamukhi (40 Km) (Gauge Conversion)	18.9.2005
2	Sonamukhi-Patrasayer(15 Km) (Gauge Conversion)	15.4.2007
3	Patrasayer-Rainagar(41 Km) (Gauge Conversion)	20.01.2008
4	Rainagar-Matnasibpur(10.5Km) (New Line)	07.05.2011
5	Matnasibpur-Masagram(10.4 Km)(New Line)	16.04.2013

- (c): Yes, Madam. One DEMU rake is being utilized in the section between Bankura and Masagram. 8(eight) services are being run with one DEMU rake for 6 days a week.
- (d) & (e): Representations are being received at various levels of Railway administrations, viz. Stations, Divisional level, Zonal level and Railway Board's level and action as found feasible and justified, is taken from time to time. However, Indian Railways do not maintain a centralised compendium of such representations.
