GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3978 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.12.2015

INCREASE IN SPEED OF SOME TRAINS

3978. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is considering a proposal to increase the speed of some trains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and arrangements likely to be made in this regard thereto; and
- (c) the funds likely to be spent by the Railways for improving tracks so that high speed trains could ply thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) & (b): Speeding up of trains is a constant endeavour and continuous process on Indian Railways and is dependent on constant optimization of the investments made by Railways in modernization of technology, high powered locos, modern coaches and better tracks.
- (c): Improvement of Railway tracks is an on-going process and Railway tracks are improved at the time of track renewal. The execution of track renewal is prioritized according to the condition of track and availability of funds. During financial year 2015-16, Rs. 6035 Cr. has been allotted for track renewal works on Indian Railways.