

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3995  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.12.2015**

**FUNDS ARRANGEMENT**

**3995. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways is increasing expenditure from the present \$ 34 billion to \$ 132 billion in next five years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which Railways is planning to arrange funds for the same;**
- (c) the extent to which the cost of this increase in expenditure would be borne by public;**
- (d) the details of cost recovery mechanism devised to ensure railway services charges are not steeply increased; and**
- (e) the details of the study conducted to assess the benefits of increased expenditure?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

**(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, an investment plan for Rs. 8,56,020 crore during 2015-2019 has been announced in Budget Speech for Railway Budget 2015-16.**

**(c): Does not arise.**

**(d): Pricing of services is determined on the basis of cost of freight and passenger services and affordability/elasticity considerations.**

**(e): No specific study has been sanctioned in this regard.**

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