

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1955
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

HERITAGE RAILWAY LINES

1955. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has any proposal for beautification and expansion of 100 years old narrow gauge lines and trains to promote tourism in the country during the financial year 2015-2016;**
- (b) if so, the details of schemes proposed for the maintenance and development of these heritage railway lines which are important from tourism point of view in the country;**
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and spent thereon; and**
- (d) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a)&(b): There is no specific proposal for beautification and expansion of narrow gauge lines and trains for promoting tourism during 2015-16. Necessary works for improvement and development of old narrow gauge lines such as hill railways are taken up as per requirement. Maintenance of these lines are undertaken as per extant codal provisions of Indian Railways.

(c)&(d): Do not arise.
