GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3200 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2016

TACKLING URBANIZATION VIA RAILWAYS

3200. SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recognises that development of Railways can mitigate problems of unchecked urbanisation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is taking steps to provide railway services to remote parts to control migration to towns and cities and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether a detailed study has been conducted to assess the situation in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) to (c): Development of transport linkages including Railways helps in dispersion of development away from existing cities/towns. Railway services are planned on railway routes leading to cities as per requirement and capacity. Capacity augmentation works are also taken up accordingly.
- (d) & (e): Such studies are carried out in the specific context of cities from time to time.
