GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1704 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016

FUNCTIONING OF WINGS OF RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government reviews the functioning of various wings of the Railways periodically;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the review reports of various committees and the action taken thereon; and
- (d) the details of the steps taken to stabilize the financial structure of the Railways?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Performance of various wings and production units are being reviewed periodically at Division, Zone and Railway Board level through conferences, periodic review meetings, video conferences etc. In these meetings, key performances parameters such as Safety, Punctuality, Freight Loading, progress of various works and projects, Financial Performance(Earning and Expenditure), Cleanliness, Catering etc. are reviewed. Departmental committees are also set up for specific issues as and when necessary. Follow up action on decisions/recommendation of reviews/committee reports is a continuous process.

(d): A new source of funding namely Extra Budgetary Resources-Institutional Finance (EBR-IF) has been introduced from the financial year 2015-16 to ensure assured funding of capacity enhancement works. A number of measures have been taken to increase freight loading and transportation and reduce ordinary working expenditure.
