GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1830 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2016

ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY LINE

1830. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to construct the Railway line between Kothapalli-Manoharabad-Akkannapet-Medak and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the funds earmarked for construction of this Railway line and released so far;

(c) whether the funds sanctioned so far are not sufficient to carry out the laying work of the Railway line;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has received any requests for allocation of additional funds to this project and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (f): Construction of both Kothapalli-Manoharabad & Akkannapet-Medak new lines have been taken up.

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(i) Kothapalli-Manoharabad: Acquision of 496 acres of land has been taken up and the State Government has handed over a land for 22 km length. The latest cost of this project is Rs.1051 crores and an expenditure of Rs.1.76 crores has already been incurred on this project upto March 2016 with an outlay of Rs.30 crores in Budget 2016-17.

(ii) Akkannapet-Medak: After completion of Final Location Survey; detailed estimate of Rs.118 crores has been sanctioned. Stage-I Forest Clearance has been received from Ministry of Environment & Forest and out of 294 acre private/revenue land, 277 acre land has been handed over. Tendering for work execution has been taken up.

Both these works primarily suffered on account of land acquisition and forestry clearances.

Requests for additional fund allotments are received from State Governments, elected representatives, public organizations etc. at various levels including Railway Board, zonal railways and divisions. A centralized compendium is not maintained for such requests. Enhanced outlays of Rs.30 Crores and Rs.10 Crores respectively have been provided for the two projects in 2016-17, and further allocation will depend on the stage of progress.

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