GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 514 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.04.2016

REVIEW OF RAILWAY PROJECTS

514. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether vital infrastructure railway projects have recently been reviewed by the Government through Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation (PRAGATI);
- (b) if so, the details of the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the action proposed by the Government for expeditious completion of delayed/stalled railway projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): Review of vital infrastructure projects including those pertaining to railways is a continuous process and several projects have been reviewed by the Government through PRAGATI. Many stalled projects were fast-tracked as a result of this review.

Railways have taken many steps to expedite completion of projects including enhanced fund allotment, delegation of higher powers at field level for quicker decisions, regular monitoring and holding co-ordination meeting with different departments as well as State Government. As a result, Indian Railways commissioned over 2800 Km Broad Gauge track in 2015-16 including New Lines, Gauge Conversions and Doubling, recording an increase of about 41% over last year.