Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Economic Affairs

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3241 TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, 5th AUGUST, 2016 (SHRAVANA 14, 1938 (SAKA)

CLUBBING OF RAILWAY AND GENERAL BUDGETS

3241. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE (वित्त मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NITI Aayog has recommended for clubbing of Railway and General Budgets and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the response of the Government thereon?

<u>ANSWER</u>

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)MINISTRY OF FINANCE

(a): Yes, Sir; The Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Bibek Debroy, Member, NITI Aayog on restructuring of Ministry of Railways recommended that the present system of a separate budget for Railways should be phased out and it should be merged with General Budget.

(b): The recommendations of the Committee are being examined by this Ministry, in consultation with Ministry of Railways.

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