GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4127 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2016

DISRUPTION DUE TO FLOODS

†4127. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA: SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rail routes disrupted due to heavy rain and flood in the country;
- (b) whether the age old railway tracks exist on the said routes;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of tracks damaged due to the recent rains;
- (d) whether the damaged tracks have been fully restored; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor, zone-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (e): During the current monsoon season, traffic in 14 railway sections of varying ages on Indian Railways network has been disrupted due to heavy rains/floods. The traffic was suspended in these sections due to breaches/washouts/water flowing above the track etc. at some locations. All the affected railway lines have been repaired and traffic has been restored except on one section viz. Najibabad – Kotdwar (25kms) of Northern Railway.

One pier of Bridge No. 16 in Najibabad – Kotdwar section was damaged due to flash floods on 23.07.2016. The traffic on this route has been suspended till its replacement by new pier. Action has been taken by Northern Railway for construction of new pier.
