GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4547 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2001 RAILWAY PROJECTS RAVI PRAKASH VERMA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of rail projects/surveys received from Uttar Pradesh during each of the last three years till date;
- (b) the action taken on each project and the reasons for not clearing the projects;
- (c) the amount spent on each project and the allocation made for each project during the said period and the current year; and
- (d) the time by which all these projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (d): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (**0**)F LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4547 BY SHRIRAVI PRAKASH VERMA TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.08.2001 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS

- (a) to (d): Planning of Railways services or projects is made keeping a national perspective in view and taking an integrated view of traffic demands as well as of System requirements. Geographical boundaries of a state do not form a criterion for taking investment decisions. However, details of the proposals received from Government of U.P. in the last three years including action taken on each of these projects, funds allotted and the target date of completion in case of the sanctioned project, and the reason for not taking up the other project are given below:-
- (I) Introduction of Suburban Services in Lucknow:

Electrification of Circular Railway around Lucknow for running suburban services has been sanctioned in 2000-01. The allocation for 2000-01 and 2001-02 are Rs. 1 Crore and Rs. 8.3897 Crores respectively. The target date of completion of this work is March 2002.

(II) Rishikesh-Dehradun: New Line

The survey for a new broad gauge rail line connecting Rishikesh with Doiwala (near Dehradun) has been conducted recently. As per survey report, the cost of construction of 19.26 km. rail line has been assessed as Rs. 81.78 crores with a negative rate of return. Due to constraint of resources and unremunerative nature of proposal, it has not been considered feasible to take up the project.