

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RENOVATION OF TINDHARIA WORKSHOP
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise/renovate the narrow gauge rail line of Darjeeling Himalayan Railways and the Tindharia workshop;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the works on these projects are likely to be undertaken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

- (a) Modernisation/renovation of rail lines and workshops is a continuous process and is undertaken depending on the age cum condition, operational need and availability of funds.
- (b) During the year 2004-05 about 12 Km of Through Rail Renewal (Secondary) (TRR(S)) and 2 Km of Through Sleeper Renewal (Secondary) (TSR(S)) had been completed, in the Narrow Gauge line of Darjeeling Himalayan Railway. There is no plan, at present, to modernize/renovate Tindharia workshop.
- (c) Renewal works to the extent of 61 Km of TRR(S) and 85 Km of TSR(S) are sanctioned, as of 1-4-2005, and are planned to be completed by the end of 2006-07.