GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3199 ANSWERED ON:19.08.2004 DAITARI-BANSPANI RAILWAY LINE PROJECT IN ORISSA Nayak Shri Ananta;Satpathy Shri Tathagata

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the efforts made to shift Daitari-Banspani Railway Line project in Orissa to the jurisdiction of South Eastern Railway Zone from East Coast Railway Zone, whose headquarter is at Kolkata;

(b) if so, whether the shifting of the project will have very adverse effect on the earning of revenue of East Coast Railways; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to reject any such move initiated in the matter?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir. Construction of new line is being done by East Coast Railway only.

(b) & (c): Train Operation in a part length of the project upto Keonjhar, which at present has connectivity only with South Eastern Railway, will be managed temporarily by South Eastern Railway due to operational convenience and this arrangement will continue till connectivity with East Coast Railway is established. Revenue sharing between the two Railways will be done as per extant practice.