GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1368
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2006
COMPLETION OF RAILWAY PROJECTS.
Fanthome Shri Francis

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether several projects for which 10 percent equity has been paid to the Railways for implementation of railway lines, have not been implemented for more than ten years:
- (b) If so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for non-completion of these projects; and
- (c) The steps taken by the Railways to complete these projects expeditiously?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A Statement attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1368 BY SHRI FRANCIS FANTHOME TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.06.2006 REGARDING COMPLETION OF RAILWAY PROJECTS.

(a) to (c): The Hon'ble Member while mentioning 10% equity is perhaps referring to the expenditure incurred on ongoing railway projects. As on 01.04.2006, out of 260 ongoing projects, there are 35 projects viz. 11 New Line, 13 Gauge Conversion, 5 Doubling and 3 Railway Electrification and 3 Metropolitan Transport Projects, in which an expenditure of 10% or more was incurred and were taken up more than 10 years ago. These projects are progressing as per the operational priority and availability of resources . A number of initiatives have been taken like Public Private Partnership, Cost Sharing by State Govt. and/or declaration as National Projects to generate additional resources. Additional funds are also allocated through internal resource generation for Throughput Enhancement and other works. With such initiatives, these projects are expected to be completed in coming years as per actual availability of resources.