GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:697 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2007 STATUS OF JAMMU-KATRA RAIL LINE Singh Chaudhary Lal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of unmanned level crossings on the Pathankot-Jammu-Udhampur rail line and the steps taken to eliminate any possible mishaps at these crossings;
- (b) the status of Jammu-Katra and Baramula-Uri rail lines as on date; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be made operational?

Answer

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

- (a) There are 11 unmanned level crossings on the Pathankot-Jammu-Udhampur rail line. The Railway has taken the following safety measures to eliminate any possible mishaps at these crossings:
- 1. Maintaining proper road surface.
- 2. Maintaining proper road gradients
- 3. Provision of speed breaker on approaches.
- 4. Providing road warning sign boards.
- 5. Manning of unmanned level crososings as per criteria.
- (b) & (c) The rail line from Jammu to Udhampur has already been commissioned. Udhampur- Katra rail line work is targeted for completion by December,2008. Baramula-Uri is not a sanctioned work.