GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:372 ANSWERED ON:19.02.2009 MODERNISATION OF RAILWAY STATIONS Murmu Shri Hemlal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any plan to install escalators at some Railway Stations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of such modernisation works under consideration of the Railways for the last three years and the current year alongwith the total number of pending projects;
- (d) the total amount of funds allocated for the said works; and
- (e) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R. VELU)

- (a) to (e): Yes,Sir.Railways have to plan install 100 nos. of escalators at 50 major stations. In this connection following two works have been sanctioned in Railway Budget for 2008-09 at the total cost of Rs. 70 crore.
- i) Installation of 50 nos. escalators vide Pink Book Item no. 625 at the cost of Rs.35 crore.
- ii) Installation of 50 nos. escalators vide Supplementary Budget 2008-09 at the cost of Rs. 35 crore.

The installation of these escalators have been planned to be completed in a phased manner.