GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1300 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2010 SIGNALLING SYSTEM IN RAILWAYS Ram Shri Purnmasi

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an audit review regarding the provision of modern signalling system on zonal railways has revealed that none of the zones except South Western Railways (SWR) have provided similar type of signalling system on all sections of a particular route;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to provide uniform signalling system all over the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam, there was an audit observation. Audit test check revealed that 88 sections out of 372 sections on Indian Railways were not having similar type of signaling. This is because the modern signaling on Indian Railway is planned progressively in replacement of old system, on age cum condition basis and as per traffic requirement.

(c): A policy decision has been taken to replace the old signaling system on all sections progressively, as per availability of funds, to ensure uniformity.