## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4525 ANSWERED ON:22.04.2010 FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES IN RAILWAYS Ram Shri Purnmasi

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 28755 audit objections have shown financial irregularities amounting to Rs. 10829.67 crores in the CAG report of 2007;
- (b) the number of these audit objections have been settled as on date and the number of audit objections added thereto giving a final tally thereof as also of money; and
- (c) the reasons for not settling the audit objections and to clear them up?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, Madam. However, as per records available with Zonal Railways and Production Units, there were 14204 audit objections amounting to Rs.10363.25 crore outstanding as on 31-03-06.
- (b): A statement is enclosed.
- (c): Arisings of audit objections and clearance thereof is a continuous process wherein the irregularities pointed out are analyzed for clarifications and compliance and are thereafter closed in consultation with Audit. Most of the audit objections are cleared quickly but in a few cases involving legal intervention or information from other government agencies, prolonged corrective action such as recoveries etc., finalization gets delayed. Zonal Railways and Production Units have been instructed to expedite remedial/ corrective action, as required and are holding periodical review meetings with Audit to ensure early clearance of the objections.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4525 BY SHRI PURNMASI RAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22-04-2010 REGARDING FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES IN RAILWAYS.

(a): Current status of Audit objections which were outstanding as on 31-03-2006 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)
Outstanding on 31-03-2006 Clearance till 31-03-2010 Outstanding as on 31-03-2010 Number Amount Number Amount Number Amount 14204 10363.25 8399 8747.28 5805 1615.97

The status of outstanding Audit objections as on 31-03-2010 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)
Outstanding on Accretion till Clearance till Outstanding as on 31-03-2006 31-03-2010 31-03-2010 31-03-2010
Number Amount Number Amount Number Amount Number Amount 14204 10363.25 2189 27484.76 21602 24933.85 14494 12914.16