GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5651 ANSWERED ON:29.04.2010 RAIL VIKAS NIGAM LIMITED Dharmshi Shri Babar Gajanan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have formulated any plan for augmenting capacity in specific saturated routes to meet the growing requirements;
- (b) if so, the details of the routes selected therefor;
- (c) the details of the such routes which are being augmented by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) independently; and
- (d) the source of funds for capacity augmentation are being mobilised by the RVNL?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5651 BY SHRI GAJANAN D. BABAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29-04-2010 REGARDING RAIL VIKAS NIGAM LIMITED.

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Railways are planning to augment capacity on specific saturated routes. A major portion of the passenger and freight traffic is carried on the Golden Quadrilateral and the Diagonals connecting Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Chennai and Delhi-Guwahati route, which along with the feeder routes form the High Density Network. A Blue print has been prepared for augmenting capacity on these routes which is under implementation by Indian Railways. Further, railways are also constructing two Dedicated Freight Corridors, one between Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust and Tughlakabad & the other between Ludhiana and Dankuni which shall on completion give significant capacity additions on the Delhi-Mumbai & Delhi-Howrah routes respectively.
- (c): The details of the routes being augmented by RVNL are given in Appendix.
- (d): For the capacity augmentation works being executed by Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd., funds are being provided by Ministry of Railways and through borrowing from the market.