

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:786
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2010
DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINES
Ram Shri Purnmasi

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of physical target fixed for construction of new rail lines and doubling of rail lines during the last three years;
- (b) whether the railways have achieved the laid down targets and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways to overcome the hurdles in achieving the targets?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 786 BY SHRI PURNMASI RAM TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29-07-2010 REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAILWAY LINES

- (a): 771 Km of new lines and 1237 Km of doublings were completed during the last three years i.e. 2007-08 to 2009-10 against the revised targets of 762 Kms and 1363 Kms respectively.
- (b): The reasons for lesser achievement than target has been abnormal increase in price of steel, failure of contractors, difficulty of terrain, adverse law and order conditions, land availability, heavy monsoons in some part of the country, etc.
- (c): Number of steps have been taken to bring in efficiency in contract management, issues have been regularly pursued with State Governments and others to expedite completion of targets.