GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2070 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2010 WORLD CLASS STATIONS Mahato Shri Narahari;Patil Shri Sanjay Dina

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to modernise certain railway stations into world class stations;
- (b) if so, the details of the plan and the stations earmarked for the modernisation;
- (c) whether any target has been fixed for its completion; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF 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. 2070 BY SHRI SANJAY DINA PATIL AND SHRI NARAHARI MAHATO TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.08.2010 REGARDING WORLD CLASS STATIONS

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) Stations located in metropolitan cities and important centres are identified for undertaking the feasibility study for development into world class stations through PPP (Public Private Partnership) mode by leveraging the land around and the air space above the stations.

Stations identified for development into World Class Stations are Agra Cantt, Ahmedabad, Ajmer Jn., Allahabad, Ambala Cantt, Amritsar, Anand Vihar, Baiyapanahali, Bangalore City, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Bijwasan, Bolpur, Chandigarh, Chennai Central, CST Mumbai, Ernakulam, Gaya, Goa, Gorakhpur, Guwahati, Habibganj, Howrah, Jammu, Jhansi, Jaipur, Kanpur Central, Kharagpur, Kolkata, Kozhikode (Calicut), Kota, Lucknow, Ludhiana, Majerhat, Mangalore, Mathura, Nagpur, New Delhi, New Jalpaiguri, Patna, Porbandar, Pune, Puri, Sealdah, Secunderabad, Surat, Thane, Thiruvananthapuram, Tirupati and Varanasi.

(c) & (d): Bidding process for world class stations in PPP mode is initiated after Master Plan and Feasibility Report is prepared and in-principle approval of the local agencies is obtained, which takes about one and a half year. Consultancy works for preparation of Master Plan and Feasibility Report has been taken up for New Delhi, CST Mumbai and Patna. Action has also been initiated for appointment of Consultants for Secunderabad, Howrah, Kolkata, Chennai Central, Anand Vihar and Sealdah. Work at site shall commence after award of concession and financial closure is achieved by the concessionaire. The completion of project is likely to take 5-6 years due to complexity and necessity to undertake the work while keeping the station operational.