GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:224 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2010 RAILWAY PROJECTS THROUGH PPP MODE Bhujbal Shri Sameer

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have identified projects to be executed through Public- Private Partnership (PPP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have selected some Railway stations for modernisation through PPP mode;
- (d) if so, the names of the Railway Stations identified in various States including Maharashtra; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized for this purpose during the last three years for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 224 BY SHRI SAMEER BHUJBAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25.11.2010 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS THROUGH PPP MODE.

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Areas identified for possible execution through public private participation include development of world-class railway stations, setting up of SPVs for manufacturing of locomotives, coaches and rolling stock components, operation of container trains and special freight trains, investment in port and other connectivity works, private freight terminals and automobiles and ancillary hubs, bottling plants for clean drinking water, etc.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Madam. 50 railway stations, including those in the state of Maharashtra, have been identified for development as World class railway Stations. These stations are: Agra Cantt, Ahmedabad, Ajmer Jn., Allahabad, Ambala Cantt, Amritsar, Anand Vihar (Delhi), Bangalore City, Baiyapanahali (Bangalore), Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Bijwasan (Delhi), Bolpur, Chandigarh, Chennai Central, CST Mumbai, Ernakulam, Gaya, Goa, Gorakhpur, Guwahati, Habibganj, Howrah, Jaipur, Jammu, Jhansi, Kanpur Central, Kharagpur, Kolkata (Chitpur), Kota, Kozhikode (Calicut), Lucknow, Ludhiana, Majerhat (Kolkata), Manglore, Mathura, Nagpur, New Delhi, New Jalpaiguri, Patna, Porbander, Pune, Puri, Sealdah, Secunderabad, Surat, Thane, Thiruvananthapuram, Tirupati and Varanasi. It has now been decided to set up a time- frame for implementation of World Class Stations. The progress of this project is being closely monitored.
- (e): World-class railway station projects are primarily envisaged through private investment and Government funds are required only for preparatory works such as consultancies for feasibility reports and advisory services, for which funds are allocated from time to time, as per requirement from Revenue.