

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4890

ANSWERED ON:09.12.2010

RAIL TRANSPORTATION WITH MOZAMBIQUE

Bapurao Shri Khatgaonkar Patil Bhaskarrao;Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo;Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar;Patel Shri Kishanbhai Vestabhai

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

- (a) whether the Railways held bilateral discussion in the field of rail transportation with Mozambique in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details of the issues discussed;
- (c) the details of the ongoing rail infrastructure projects undertaken by the Railways and its PSUs in Mozambique;
- (d) whether the Railways have received any fresh proposal from Mozambique; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4890 BY SHRI PRADEEP MAJHI, SHRI B.B. PATIL, SHRI EKNATH M. GAIKWAD AND SHRI KISHNBHAI V. PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.12.2010 REGARDING RAIL TRANSPORTATION WITH MOZAMBIQUE.

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): During the bilateral discussions, issues related to rehabilitation of Sena Line, Machipanda Line and starting of commercial freight services on these lines were discussed.

(c): In 2004, RITES Limited and Ircon International Limited had partnered with Government of Mozambique's parastatal company CFM (Mozambique Port and Railways) to rehabilitate the central railway system of Mozambique and to run it on concession for 25 years. A concessionaire company by the name of Companhia Dos Caminhos De Ferro Da Baira (CCFB) was incorporated in Mozambique with the approval of Ministry of Railways – Shareholding: – Mozambican Port & Railway Company (CFM) – 49%,

RITES Limited 26% and Ircon International Limited 25%.

(d): No, Madam.

(e): Does not arise.