GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways had signed an agreement with Chinese Railways in 2008;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the areas of cooperation and finances involved therein;

(c) the extent to which the Railways have benefited by this agreement;

(d) whether keeping in view of the utility of the agreement the Railways propose to extend the Memorandum of Understanding MoU; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and time by which a final decision is likely to be taken?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) facilitated development of rail-related programmes of mutual interest, consultancies, exchange of information on policies, laws & regulations, exchange programme for experts and trainees and technical assistance. The MoU is presently current.

(d) & (e): Do not arise.