

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4520
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2009
DAMODAR RAIL DIVERSION PROJECT
Pandey Shri Ravindra Kumar

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have launched the Damodar Rail Diversion Project in Jharkhand in collaboration with Coal India Limited and Central Coalfields Limited;
- (b) if so, the details of the amount spent on the above project so far and the status of the said project; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways to implement the above project?

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.4520 BY SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.08.2009 REGARDING DAMODAR RAIL DIVERSION PROJECT.

(a) : Phusro-Jarangdih Railway diversion project has been undertaken by Railway as a deposit work of Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL).

(b) & (c): An expenditure of Rs. 28.19 crore have been incurred so far. During year 1981 to 1986, work was held up due to delay in acquisition of land due to difficulties associated with resettlement of land owners. Inter Ministerial Group proposed change in alignment involving three stretches in the year 1992. However, as complete land on the revised alignment has not been handed over by M/s CCL. The Railway has not been able to up the work in these patches. In the meantime, the cost of the project has escalated to Rs.67.11 crore. CCL has not given the approval to this revised cost.