

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:260
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2011
PRODUCTION OF LOCOMOTIVES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the locomotive factories in the country;
- (b) whether the Railways have taken note of the findings of Vinod Dhall Committee that Diesel Locomotive Works (DLW), Varansi and Chittaranjan Locomotive Works (CLW) are working only as assembly plants for production of locomotives;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Railways thereto;
- (d) whether DLW/CLW have outsourced the components required for the production of locomotives to the private vendors;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether DLW/CLW propose to start production of components required for locomotives; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a) to (g) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 260 BY SHRI PRABODH PANDA AND SHRI ABDUL RAHMAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 18.08.2011 REGARDING PRODUCTION OF LOCOMOTIVES

(a) The following are the locomotives factories of Indian Railways:-

- (i) Chittaranjan Locomotive Works (CLW), Chittaranjan
- (ii) Diesel Locomotive Works (DLW), Varanasi
- (iii) Diesel Loco Modernisation Works (DMW), Patiala

In addition, M/s. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited also supplies electric locomotive to Indian Railways.

(b) & (c) The Diesel Locomotive Works and Chittranjan Locomotive Works are working only as an assembly plants for production of locomotives was the view of some members of the committee and not essentially that of whole Committee. This view was refuted by Ministry of Railways who was also a member of the committee. After noting the above position, Vinod Dhall Committee took the view that as this is a specific case and the Committee is to focus on the larger issues of public procurement policy, rules and standards, the matter may be left to the concerned Ministry and the oversight mechanism within government.

It may be mentioned that the value addition done by both plants due to in house manufacturing is significant.

(d) & (e) Keeping in view the capacity constraints of DLW/CLW, certain components are procured from private/ public sector units through a judicious mix of make or buy decisions.

(f) & (g) DLW/CLW are already manufacturing certain components in house. DMW, Patiala is also manufacturing diesel loco components. Capacities of DLW/CLW are being upgraded in phases. Two ancillary units of CLW and DLW have also been sanctioned to be set up at Dankuni for manufacture of loco components.