GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1929 ANSWERED ON:11.08.2011 CONTAINER DEPOT Bheiravdanji Shri Gadhvi Mukeshkumar;Premajibhai Dr. Solanki Kiritbhai

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways propose to establish more container depots in Gujarat including in Banaskantha district;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be established;

(c) the present status of setting up of a rail engine factory at Hazira in Gujarat;

(d) the details of projects in Gujarat which are running behind schedule; and

(e) the steps being taken to expedite completion of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) : Railways do not establish any container Depot. Container Depots are established by Container Train Operators and other private parties based on the market requirement. At present, there are 3 proposals for setting up of new container terminals by private parties in the State of Gujarat at Sanand (Ahmedabad District), Sukhpur (Surendranagar District) and Lakodra (Vadodara District).

(b): Does not arise.

(c): There is no plan at present to set up a rail engine factory at Hazira in Gujarat.

(d) & (e) : There are 2 new line, 7 gauge conversion and 7 doubling ongoing projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat. Railways have huge throwforward of ongoing projects with limited availability of resources. As a result projects are progressing as per availability of resources.

During 2011-12, as of now, projects are progressing as planned. Railways will strive to provide funds with the available Gross Budgetary Support and Tax-Free Bonds.