

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL LINK TO TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are aware that many tribal dominated districts across the country are yet to be linked with railway network;
- (b) if so, whether the Railways have conducted any survey in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Railways propose to introduce any special scheme to link such districts; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Projects in the Railway are sanctioned Zone-wise and not District-wise. In Budget 2010-11, updating survey of 114 socially desirable projects for backward, hilly, remote and tribal dominated areas of the country have been sanctioned.
- (c): Out of 114 updating surveys sanctioned, 66 surveys have already been completed. 2 works namely Hansdiha-Godda & Murkongselek-Pasighat have already been sanctioned.
- (d) & (e): At present, no such scheme is under consideration.