GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2922 ANSWERED ON:18.08.2011 RAILWAY CROSSINGS AFFECTING WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS Pathak Shri Harin

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several proposals for construction of railway crossings across various water supply projects to large number of villages in the country, especially in the State of Gujarat are pending with Railway Authorities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which such proposals will be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Railways receive requests from various agencies/individuals for crossings of railway tracks for various purposes. Such proposals are examined and permission is granted if the proposal is complete, feasible, does not affect safety of trains, and after the party has deposited the required fees and met with all the procedural requirements. Presently, about 360 number of proposals for permission of railway crossings for various water supply projects are under consideration with the zonal Railways, including 69 number of proposals falling in the State of Gujarat. As the sponsoring parties take time in complying with the procedural requirements, no target can be set by railways for granting approval to the proposals.