

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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TIME AND COST OVERRUN IN PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether among all the Ministries the Railways have the highest number of projects facing time and cost overruns in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether certain Committees have also come out with a detailed report in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the salient recommendations of the Committees and the action taken thereon by the Railways?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): No, Madam. However, railways have huge throwforward of projects and limited availability of resources. As a result, projects are progressing as per availability of resources. As on 01.04.2011, railway require about Rs. 1,25,000 Crore for completing ongoing New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects. Issue of providing adequate resources has been raised in various forums / Committees. To augment resources other than Gross Budgetary Support, steps have been taken to generate extra budgetary resources through State participation and other beneficiaries, Public Private Partnership, defence funding, declaring some projects as National Projects and implementation of bankable projects through Rail Vikas Nigam Limited.