GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:665 ANSWERED ON:15.03.2012 PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA Chavan Shri Harischandra Deoram

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and present status of railway projects including surveys which are still pending in Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the Railways propose to create new Railway Divisions in the country;
- (c) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways for timely completion of work on Manmad-Dhule-Indore and Nasik-Pune routes?

Answer

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

- (a) 5 New Line, 2 Gauge Conversion and 9 Doubling projects falling fully/partly in Maharashtra have been taken up and are in various stages of progress. Survey for 15 New Line, 2 Gauge Conversion and 3 Doubling projects falling fully/partly in Maharashtra have been taken up.
- (b): Railways have no plan to create any new Division in the country other than those already announced.
- (c): Setting up of new Railway Divisions at Bhagalpur and Thawe was announced in the Railway Budget 2009-10. Action, in this regard, has already been initiated.
- (d): Manmad-Dhule-Indore and Nasik-Pune are not sanctioned projects. Therefore, no steps have been taken for their completion. Both the projects have been sent to Planning Commission for 'In Principle' approval.