GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1571 ANSWERED ON:22.03.2012 PRODUCTION OF LOCOMOTIVES AND WAGONS Dashmunsi Deepa ;Panda Shri Baijayant;Patel Shri Bal Kumar;Pradhan Shri Nityananda

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the capacity and manufacturing constraints in the locomotive manufacturing units in the country have hampered locomotive augmentation vis-a-vis the demand thereof;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Railways in this regard;

(c) whether public and private wagon manufacturers are not able to supply the contracted quantity;

(d) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard;

(e) whether the target for augmentation of locomotives and wagons as envisaged in the Integrated Railway Modernization Plan has not been achieved for the current Five Year Plan period; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the steps taken/being taken in this regard including any assistance from aboard?

Answer

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

(a) No, Madam.

(b) While the augmentation of locomotives meets the current demands over Indian Railways, anticipating future growth of traffic, the capacities of Diesel Locomotive Works, Varanasi and Chittaranjan Locomotive Works, Chittaranjan are being expanded. A Diesel Locomotive Factory and an Electric Locomotive Factory are planned through Joint Venture / Public-Private Partnership (JV/PPP) route at Marhowra and Madhepura respectively.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) & (f) The target for augmentation of locomotives and stainless steel open wagons indicated in the Integrated Railway Modernization Plan for the period 2007-08 to 2009-10 (which was within the current Five Year Plan period) has been achieved.