

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5535
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WAGON MANUFACTURING UNITS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) and Rail India Technical and Economic Services Limited (RITES) have entered into a joint venture for setting up a Wagon Manufacturing Unit in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;
- (c) the details of financial implications involved therein;
- (d) the time-frame set for the purpose;
- (e) whether any other such projects are likely to be set up in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Company 'SAIL – RITES Bengal Wagon Industry Private Limited', a Joint Venture Company of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rail India Technical and Economic Services (RITES) has been incorporated on 30.12.2010 for manufacturing and rehabilitation of wagons at Kulti, District Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- (c) Equity participation is between Public Sector Undertakings involved.
- (d) Trial production shall start in 2014-15.
- (e) There is no other such Joint Venture planned for the present. However, units have been planned on other funding models.
- (f) Does not arise.