GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1061 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2012 BHARAT WAGON AND ENGINEERING COMPANY LTD. BWEL Singh Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present operational status of the Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Ltd. (BWEL) at Muzaffarpur and Mokama along with their production output during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (b) whether any committee has been constituted for the revival of the said company;
- (c) if so, the major recommendations made by the said committee along with the action taken by the Railways thereon; and
- (d) the other steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Railways for revival of the said company and to start optimum production output therefrom?

Answer

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

(a) Both units of Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd. at Muzaffarpur and Mokama are operational and manufacture Railway wagons.

The production output during the last three years and the current year are given below:-

Year Production (No of Wagons)
2009-10 254
2010-11 197
2011-12 228
2012-13 84
(Apr. to July)

- (b) Yes, Madam.
- (c) Major recommendations of the committee include one-time provisioning of adequate working capital by the Ministry of Railways to help the company to achieve break even Production levels and regular placement of wagon orders. Recommendations of the committee are under consideration in this Ministry.
- (d) As per the directions of Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR), the company has recently submitted a Draft Revival Proposal to IDBI (operating agency nominated by BIFR). Further action shall be taken on the basis of BIFR's recommendations.