GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1069 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2012 RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA . Vishwanath Shri Adagur H

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the present status of ongoing/pending railway projects in Karnataka, Zone/Division-wise;
- (b) the extent of escalation of cost due to delay in completion of these projects;
- (c) the details of funds allocated/spent thereon, so far; and
- (d) the time frame set for the completion of these projects along with the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1069 BY SHRI ADAGOORU VISHWANATH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.8.2012 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

(a) to (c): Zone-wise details of ongoing railway projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka as on 01.04.2012 is given in Appendix.

Railways has huge throwforward of ongoing projects with limited availability of resources as a result funds are thinly spread prolonging period of completion. Extended period of completion results in cost escalation due to inflation. Cost of projects also increases due to change in standard of construction. Against the sanctioned cost of Rs. 10929.89 crore of all ongoing Railway projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, latest anticipated cost is Rs. 15929.61 crore.

(d): The targets for completion of projects are generally fixed every year based upon the progress of the projects, their relative priority and availability of resources.

A number of steps have been taken to generate extra-budgetary resources through Public Private Partnership, participation by State Government and beneficiaries and implementation of projects by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited to expedite the completion of ongoing works.