GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1860 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2012 PROJECTS IN TAMILNADU AND CHHATTISGARH Ju Dev Shri Dilip Singh;Rajendran Shri C.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details and the present status of the ongoing/pending railway projects in Tamil Nadu and Chhattisgarh along with the time since which these are pending, State-wise, project-wise;

(b) the details of funds allocated/spent thereon during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(c) the number of projects held up/pending due to shortage of funds in the said States, State-wise; and

(d) the time frame set for completion of the said 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 in the annexure.

(c) & (d): Railways have huge throw-forward of ongoing projects with limited availability of resources. As such, the projects are progressed as per availability of resources. To expedite completion of projects, a number of initiatives have been taken to generate additional resources through non-budgetary measures like Public-Private Partnership, funding by State Governments and other beneficiaries. To reduce delay on account of land availability, security issues, forestry clearances etc. meetings with State Government/Central Government Officials are held from time to time. Contract conditions have been modified to bring efficiency in contract management, and field units have been further empowered.