GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3135
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2012
DOUBLING PROJECTS IN THE COUNTRY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the present status of ongoing /pending projects of doubling in the country, State/zone-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/spent thereon;
- (c) the time-frame set for the completion of the said projects, project-wise; and
- (d) 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. 3135 BY SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE AND SHRI SUBHASH BAPURAO WANKHEDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.08.2012 REGARDING DOUBLING PROJECTS IN THE COUNTRY

- (a) & (b): As on 01.04.2012, there are 173 ongoing doubling projects in various stages of execution across the country. Zone-wise details are appended. An expenditure of `10,426 crores has been incurred on these projects upto March, 2012.
- (c) & (d): Railways have huge throwforward of projects and limited availability of resources. As a result, projects are progressing as per availability of resources. As on 01.04.2012, railways require about 38,736 crores for completing ongoing Doubling projects.

Railway projects have a long gestation period. The targets for projects are generally fixed on yearly basis based on availability of resources, progress made, and consequently, projects get completed in phases. The projects which are in advance stage of completion are given priority for resource allocation to get maximum benefit of the investment.

To augment resources other than Gross Budgetary Support, steps have been taken to generate extra budgetary resources through State participation and other beneficiaries, Public Private Partnership, defence funding, declaring some projects as National Projects and implementation of bankable projects through Rail Vikas Nigam Limited.