GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:193 ANSWERED ON:06.12.2012 RAILWAY PROJECTS Rama Devi Smt. ;Tudu Shri Laxman

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the railway projects announced in the last three Rail Budgets have been taken up for execution;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the details of the projects to be started, project-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to launch and complete the said projects in a time bound manner?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 193 BY SHRI LAXMAN TUDU AND SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.12.2012 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. During last three Railway Budgets i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 & 2012-13, 29 new line projects covering a length of 2248 Km at an anticipated cost of Rs. 20,946 Crores, 8 gauge conversion projects covering a length of 1314 Km at an anticipated cost of Rs. 5106 Crores and 98 doubling projects covering a length of 4393 Km at an anticipated cost of Rs. 24,341 Crores have been taken up.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Projects are progressing 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 funding by State Governments and other beneficiaries, execution of projects through Rail Vikas Nigam Limited on Special Purpose Vehicle basis etc. Besides, to reduce delays on account of land acquisition, security issues and forestry clearances etc, meetings with State Officials at various levels are held from time to time. Field units have been empowered with further delegation of powers and the contract conditions have been modified to bring efficiency in contract management.