GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1288 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2009 INTRODUCTION OF HIGH SPEED TRAINS IN MUMBAI Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have received any proposal from the Government of Maharashtra to run high speed trains between Mumbai-Nagpur and Mumbai-Pune;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have received any such proposals from other State Governments;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the proposals are likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1288 BY SHRI HANSRAJ G. AHIR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.11.2009 REGARDING INTRODUCTION OF HIGH SPEED TRAINS IN MUMBAI

(a)&(b): No, Madam. Ministry of Railways has not received any proposal to run high speed train between Mumbai-Nagpur and Mumbai-Pune. However, a proposal from Government of Maharashtra has been received to conduct tech-economic/pre-feasibility study for high speed trains between Mumbai-Pune-Aurangabad-Nasik and Ahmedabad-Mumbai. Ministry of Railways is undertakeing a pre-feasibility study of Mumbai-Pune-Ahmedabad corridor.

(c)&(d): Yes, Madam. Similar proposals to conduct the pre-feasibility study have been received from State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chandigarh, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Punjab, Kerala, Karnataka, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, on being asked by Ministry of Railways.

Out of the various corridors suggested by State Governments, following six corridors have been selected for the pre-feasibility study:

- (i) Delhi-Chandigarh-Amritsar (450 km approx.)
- (ii) Pune-Mumbai-Ahmedabad (650 km approx.)
- (iii) Hyderabad-Dornakal-Vijaywada-Chennai (664 km approx.)
- (iv) Chennai-Bangalore-Coimbatore-Ernakulam (649 km approx.)
- (v) Howrah-Haldia (135 km approx.)
- (vi) Delhi -Agra-Lucknow -Varanasi Patna (991 km approx.)

(e): The high speed corridors being highly capital intensive, the construction can be planned after completing detailed feasibility study.