GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2219 ANSWERED ON:22.08.2013 HIGH SPEED SOUTHERN RAIL CORRIDOR Ananth Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have been working on the development of High Speed Southern Rail Corridor project;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof, section-wise;
- (c) whether the Railways have received any proposal from the Government of Karnataka to include Bangalore-Mysore route under the said project; and
- (d) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(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.2219 BY SHRI ANANTH KUMAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.08.2013 REGARDING HIGH SPEED SOUTHERN RAIL CORRIDOR

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Ministry of Railways, in consultation with State Governments, has selected seven corridors for carrying out prefeasibility studies for introduction of High Speed Passenger trains. Out of seven corridors selected, two corridors are in Southern States of India, where pre-feasibility studies are in progress. The details of these two corridors are:-
- (i) Hyderabad-Dornakal-Vijaywada-Chennai 664 km
- (ii) Chennai-Bangalore-Coimbtore-Ernakulam-Thiruvananthapuram 850 km
- (c)&(d) Bangalore Mysore is a part of Chennai-Bangalore-Coimbtore-Ernakulam-Thiruvananthapuram High Speed Rail Corridor and pre-feasibility study of this corridor is in progress.