GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4361 ANSWERED ON:20.02.2014 PROJECTS IN NAXALITE AFFECTED AREAS Punia Shri P.L.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various railway projects have been affected due to naxalite attacks or threat thereof in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise along with the loss of life and property, if any, caused to the Railways as a result thereof;

(c) whether the Railways propose to provide security cover to ensure timely completion of the said projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therfor;and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) Yes, Madam. Three projects in Jharkhand i.e. Koderma-Ranchi (189 Km), Ranchi- Lohardaga-Tori (105 Km) and Goelkera-Manoharpur and one project in Chhattisgarh i.e. Dallirajahara-Jagdalpur (235 KM), are affected due to Naxalite attack. No loss of life has been reported due to Naxalite attacks on railway projects over Indian Railways. Security cover to the various Railway projects in naxal affected areas are provided by the concerned State Governments. However, regular coordination is maintained by Railways.