GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3194 ANSWERED ON:16.03.2015 FUNDS SPENT ON IMPORT OF RAILWAY COMPONENTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) amount spent on import of railway components during last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Railways have any plan to cut foreign exchange on importing components and systems by encouraging domestic manufacturing of components;
- (c) if so, whether the Railways are also planning to make joint ventures with the global companies which involve major manufacturing of components;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the names of companies shortlisted for this purpose; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways for indigenisation of manufacturing of components?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): The required information is as under:

2011-12: ?1182.74 crores 2012-13: ?2247.35 crores 2013-14: ?2188.96 crores 2014-15 (current year): Not yet available.

- (b): Yes, Madam.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): Research Designs and Standards Organization / Production Units of Railways are entrusted with the responsibility of developing indigenous sources. Owing to these efforts, approximately 95% of goods purchases on Indian Railways during 2013-14 are indigenous.