GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5466
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TRACK RENEWAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway have set up target for track renewal in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the Twelfth Plan period, Zone-wise;
- (c) whether the track renewal is directly related with the passengers safety;
- (d) the details of the pending projects of track renewal across the country; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways ensure time bound completion of track renewal projects?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5466 BY SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE, SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV, SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO AND SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.04.2015 REGARDING TRACK RENEWAL PROJECTS

(a) to (e) Track renewal is a continuous activity, which to be undertaken as and when a stretch of track becomes due for renewal on age-cum-condition basis. Accordingly, track renewal works are planned in advance every year and their execution is priotirized according to the condition of track and overall availability of funds ensuring all the time that track is in a sound condition for safe running of trains. In case, if any stretch of track is not renewed in time due to various reasons including scarcity of funds, material etc., suitable speed restrictions is imposed to ensure safe running of trains.

In this regard, track renewal targets are fixed every year. The details of Track Renewal Targets during Twelfth Plan period, Zone-wise are as below:

In Complete Track Renewal Units (CTR Units)

Railway 2012-13 2013-14# 2014-15# 2015-16 Central Railway 244 156 200 220 Eastern Railway 207 195 183 200 Eastern Railway East Central Railway 200 149 171 150 71 70 62 110 East Coast Railway Northern Railway 627 359 385 390 North Central Railway 257 203 130 150 North Eastern Railway 112 48 68 90 Northeast Frontier Railway 76 53 27 50 North Western Railway 58 24 24 50 Railway 2012-13 2013-14# 2014-15# 2015-16 Southern Railway 133 90 102 150 South Central Railway 285 197 175 190 South Eastern Railway 156 111 110 150 South East Central Railway 84 71 102 120 South Western Railway 117 105 102 110 Western Railway 194 143 165 190 West Central Railway 179 126 194 180 Total 3000 2100 2200 2500

Note:- denotes Revised Targets

As on 31.03.2015, track renewal and related works covering 2250 km of track renewal have been sanctioned and taken up. In addition, track renewal works for 2850 km have been sanctioned in the year 2015-16.