## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5479 ANSWERED ON:27.04.2015 SHARING OF COST OF RAILWAY PROJECTS Devi Smt. Rama

## Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have requested the State Governments including Bihar to come forward to adopt the system of sharing the cost to ensure the timely completion of long pending railway projects in their respective areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of States which have agreed to share the cost;

(c) the time by which the said projects are likely to be implemented;

(d) whether the said proposal has been implemented in Bihar; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the cost-sharing formula being adopted?

## Answer

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

(a): Ministry of Railways has approached all states including Bihar to partner with railway by formation of Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to identify, monitor and finance Railway projects. A Cabinet Note for formation of SPVs with various states has been prepared. The projects to be undertaken by the SPVs will be decided with mutual consultations between respective State Governments and Ministry of Railways after approval of the Cabinet Note.

(b) to (e): 17 states including state of Bihar have responded showing their keenness to such partnership. Implementation schedule has not been decided as projects identification etc. will be done by SPVs after formation.