GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4059 ANSWERED ON:07.08.2014 SURVEYS FOR NEW RAILWAY LINES Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram;Bhaleram Shri Dharambir;Shekhawat Shri Gajendra Singh;Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the surveys for new railway lines on Bhiwani-Loharu, Ghanauli-Nalagarh-Baddi-Kala Amb-Dehradun, Gadchandur-Adilabad and Bilara-Bar sections have been completed and if so, the details and the present status thereof;

(b) the time by which these new railway lines are likely to be sanctioned along with the estimated cost thereof, section-wise;

(c) the time-frame set for completion of these projects; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to expedite the work on these projects?

Answer

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

(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. 4059 ASKED BY SHRI DHARAMBIR, SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR, SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR AND SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.08.2014 REGARDING SURVEYS FOR NEW RAILWAY LINES.

(a): The details and present status of the surveys are given as under:-

Name of the survey Length in Km Cost in Rs.Cr. Status Bhiwani-Loharu 137 618 Project has been shelved (part of Bhiwani it had negative rate of return Project has been shelved as -Loharu-Pilani of 7.07%. -Churu Survey) Ghanauli-Nalagarh 216 3746 The project could not be taken -Baddi-Kala Ambforward as Planning Commission did not accord approval in view Dehradun of its negative rate of return of 0.40%. Gadchandur-Adilabad 70.19 448.38 Project has been shelved because of its low rate of return of 3.59% which is much below the threshold limit of 14%. Bilara-Bar 47 205 The project could not be taken forward as Planning Commission did not accord approval in view of its negative rate of return of 10.95%.

(b) to (d): All the four proposals could not be sanctioned due to their unremunerative nature, huge throwforward of ongoing projects & limited availability of resources.