GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5240 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2014 RAIN WATER HARVESTING SYSTEM Shinde Dr. Shrikant Eknath

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to set up rain water harvesting system and borewell to meet their requirement in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, zone-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railways are dependent on the Municipal Corporation for their water requirement in Mumbai;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the expenditure incurred thereon during each of the last three years and the current year?

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.5240 BY DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.08.2014 REGARDING RAIN WATER HARVESTING SYSTEM

(a)&(b): Railways' water requirement is met from various sources viz Local Municipal Corporations /local bodies, bore-wells, ranney wells on river banks and also through private tankers in water scarcity areas. Instructions have been issued to zonal railways for providing rain water harvesting at colonies, stations etc. Zone-wise details of borewells (tube-wells) and Rain Water Harvesting systems installed are as under:

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Railway Zones/ Number of Bore Number of Rain
Production Units Wells (Tube-wells) Water Harvesting
    Systems Installed
Central 278 39
Eastern 579 1
Northern 401 420
North Eastern 203 14
Northeast Frontier 182
Southern 576 135
South Central 1405 5
South Eastern 324 15
Western 481 6
East Central 231
East Coast 720 3
North Central 258 21
North Western
               226
South East Central 588
South Western 283 64
West Central 331 31
Metro Kolkata 34 0
                     31
Chittranjan Locomotive Works 0
Diesel Locomotive Works 19 424
Diesel Loco Modernisation Works 10 2
Integral Coach Factory 3
Rail Wheel Factory 4 0
Rail Coach Factory 21 57
Research Design & Standard 11 0
Organization
Total 7168 1322
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(c) & (d) Railway is meeting major part of water demand through Municipal Corporation as Railway is not having any other major source of water in Mumbai.

(e) The expenditure incurred to fulfill water requirement in Mumbai during the last three years and the current year is as under:

Year Expenditure (Rs. In Crores)
2011-12 36.95
2012-13 32.25
2013-14 23.38
2014-15 (up to July 2014) 12.88