GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:991 ANSWERED ON:17.07.2014 EXTENDING THE TERMINUS OF EAST BOUND TRAINS Tasa Shri Kamakhya Prasad

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways propose to terminate North East Express at New Delhi Station instead of Anand Vihar and extend Guwahati bound train from Upper Assam to Kamakhya station and lower Assam trains to Narengi/New Guwahati station for the convenience of the commuters;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which action is proposed to be taken;

(c) whether Railways have approved the proposed Guwahati-Harmoti, Harmoti-Lakhimpur and Rangiya-Harmoti train;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said trains would be made operational; and

(e) the current status of the proposed construction of Bogibul bridge over river Brahmaputra and the target date of completion?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No, Madam. At present, there is no proposal to run 12505/12506 Guwahati-Anand Vihar (T) North East Express from New Delhi instead of Anand Vihar (T). Further, at present, there is no proposal for terminating/originating trains bound from upper Assam and those bound for lower Assam respectively at/from Kamakhya and Narengi/New Guwahati.

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. In the Interim Railway Budget/Railway Budget, 2014-15, introduction of following trains have been announced on Guwahati-Harmuti, Harmuti-Lakhimpur and Rangiya-Harmuti section:-

(i) Guwahati-Naharlagun Intercity Express (Daily)

(ii) Guwahati-Murkongselek Intercity Express (Daily)

(iii) Rangapara North-Rangiya Passenger (Daily)

(iv) New Delhi-Naharlagun AC Express (weekly).

(v) 55613/55614 Dekargaon-Harmuti-Naharlagun Passenger (introduced w.e.f. 07.04.2014)

The trains announced in Railway Budget are generally introduced during the same financial year.

(e) Bogibul Bridge along with linking lines has been taken up with latest anticipated cost of Rs. 4996 cr. An expenditure of Rs. 3095 cr has been incurred upto March, 2014 and an outlay of Rs. 600 cr has been provided in 2014-15. The project is expected to be completed by March, 2017.