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Delay in High Value Infrastructure Projects
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been any delays in the high value infrastructure projects in various sectors being monitored by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the sector-wise details thereof as well as the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of the estimated cost overruns because of these delays?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION [SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA]

(a) to (c): Government through the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation monitors on-going central sector infrastructure projects costing Rs. 150 crore and above on time and cost overruns through its online computerization monitoring system (OCMS) on the basis of information provided by the project implementation agencies.

As on 30th September 2016, 1174 projects costing Rs. 150 crore and above were on the monitor of this ministry. Of these 1174 projects, 333 projects were delayed with respect to their original schedules. The reasons for delay are Project-specific. However, as reported by the project implementing agencies, the main reasons for delay in timely completion of the Projects are law and order problems, delay in land acquisition, delay in environment and forest clearances, fund constraints, rehabilitation and resettlement issues, local body / municipal permissions, utility shifting, contractual issues, etc. The details of delayed projects is at Annexure-I.

There are 84 projects showing cost overruns accompanied with delays with respect to their original schedules. The original cost of the 84 projects was Rs. 1,12,623.98 crore and anticipated cost is Rs. 2,27,149.87 crore implying a cost overrun of Rs. 1,14,525.89 crore (101.67%). The details are at Annexure-II.