GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3675 ANSWERED ON:15.12.2014 SURVEY WORK FOR RAIL LINES Patle Smt. Kamla Devi

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of survey work pending for the new railway lines declared in the railway budget during the year 2012-13, State-wise including Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the details of the amount allocated/spent in this regard;
- (c) the time frame fixed to complete said pending survey works; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): 120 surveys for new lines were announced in Railway Budget 2012-13 of these 41 surveys have been completed at a cost of Rs. 535 Lakhs. Remaining 79 surveys have also been taken up at a cost of Rs. 2180 Lakhs. As most of the new lines fall fully or partly in more than one State, State-wise data is not maintained. However, Zone-wise details of these 79 surveys including surveys falling partly or fully in the State of Chhattisgarh are appended.
- (b): An amount of Rs. 31 Lakhs has been spent on these 79 surveys upto 31.03.2013 and an allocation of Rs. 395 Lakhs and Rs. 803 Lakhs have been made in 2013-14 & 2014-15 respectively.
- (c) & (d): Surveys require investigation of one or more routes, in consultation with State Governments & forest department, to decide the most technically feasible alignment, interaction with State Government, trade and industries for assessment of traffic projections, preparation of plans and drawings for calculation of costs etc. Since this is an extensive exercise, hence no timeframe has been fixed for completion of these surveys.