

Andhra Pradesh- Bharath Nagar, Hafizpeta, Hi-tech City, Malakpet, Fathenagar Bridge, Borabanda, Falaknuma, Chanda Nagar, Huppuguda, Nature Cure Hospital, Vidya Nagar, Yakutpura, Sitaphalmandi, Khairatabad, Arts College, James Street, Jamai Osmania, Lakdikapul, Necklace Road, Sanjeevaiah Park, Dabirpura.

Leasing out vacant railway lands

‡3064. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is contemplating leasing out the vacant railway lands in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, whether railway lands have been leased out in the past also; and
- (c) if so, the details of companies and persons, besides Public Sector Undertakings to whom railway lands have been leased out in the country, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) to (c) Vacant Railway land is mostly in the form of narrow strips along tracks and is essential for servicing and maintenance of track and other infrastructure. The vacant railway land is utilized for execution of various infrastructural projects for meeting future growth needs of Railways and include projects like doubling/tripling, traffic facilities works, Rail Coach and Component factories, etc. The vacant land, which is not required by Railways for its immediate operational needs, is leased out to Government Departments/ Government Undertakings for public utility works and also for commercial development, wherever feasible, in order to mobilize additional financial resources/through Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA), set up through the Railway (Amendment) Act, 2005.

In the past, RLDA had leased out some land parcels to private companies but the Development Agreement of all such parcels has been terminated. At present, no land parcel is leased for commercial development to private companies/persons.

Multi-functional complexes

3065. SHRINARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the time-line for commissioning of eight Multi-Functional Complexes at Cuttack, Brahmapur, Jharsuguda, Rayagada, Banspani, Balasore and Bhubaneswar with Budget hotel at Sambalpur, as these proposals are yet to be taken up by Rail Land Development Authority, a Railway Undertaking entrusted with these works?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): Multi Functional Complex (MFC) building has been completed at Banspani.

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