GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2365 ANSWERED ON 17.12.2021

YELAHANKA-DHARMAVARAM – GOOTY RAILWAY LINE

2365. SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Yelahanka Dharmavaram Gooty line doubling work is completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the line electrification is done simultaneously;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether local DEMU/MEMU trains are introduced in electrified line;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the estimated operational date of electrified line of Yelahanka-Gooty line?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2365 BY SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 17.12.2021 REGARDING YELAHANKA-DHARMAVARAM-GOOTY RAILWAY LINE

(a) and (b): Railway has taken up Yelahanka-Dharmavarm-Gooty doubling in three patches, which are as under:-

1. Yelahanka-Penukonda doubling (123 Km):-

Yelahanka-Penukonda (123 Km) doubling had been included in budget in 2015-16. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹1104 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹985 crore has been incurred on the project. An outlay ₹ 160 crore has been provided for the project for Financial Year 2021-2022. Yelahanka – Makalidurga – Devarapalle (72 Km) section has been commissioned. Works have been taken up in balance section.

2. Penukonda – Dharmavaram doubling (42 Km):

Penukonda - Dharmavaram (42 Km) doubling had been included in budget in 2018-19. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹308 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹11 crore has been incurred on the project. An outlay ₹ 10 crore has been provided for the project for Financial Year 2021-2022. Works on the project have been taken up.

3. Dharmavaram-Gooty doubling (90 Km):

Dharmavaram - Gooty (90 Km) doubling had been included in budget in 2015-16. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹1009 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹547 crore has been incurred on the project. An outlay ₹ 225 crore has been provided for the project for Financial Year 2021-2022. Total 57 Km section has been commissioned. Works have been taken up in balance section.

- (c) and (d): Yes, Sir. Existing single line of Yelahanka Dharmavaram Gooty section (252 Route Km) has been commissioned and electrification of doubling is being carried out along with doubling work.
- (e) and (f): In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, at present, 3 pairs of MEMU/DEMU special train services are serving the Yelahanka Hindupur Dharmaram sector.

(g): The completion of any Railway projects depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, priority of projects, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of projects site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the projects. As such, confirmed completion time of projects cannot be ascertained at this stage. Nevertheless, every effort is being made to execute the project expeditiously.
