

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:250

ANSWERED ON:15.03.2007

ELECTRIFICATION OF RAIL LINES

Patle Shri Shishupal Natthu;Shiwankar Shri Maha Deo Rao

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are contemplating procurement of technology and equipment from foreign countries for complete electrification of rail lines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the introduction of high speed trains is being considered after complete electrification of all rail lines in the Eleventh Plan;
- (d) if so, the time by which these schemes are likely to be cleared; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the reasons for delay in complete electrification of all rail lines?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 250 BY SHRI SHISHUPAL N.PATLE AND PROF. MAHADEORAO SHIWANKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.03.2007 REGARDING ELECTRIFICATION OF RAIL LINES.

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir. Introduction of high speed trains is not feasible on existing rail lines even after electrification as it requires separate dedicated infrastructure. However, Indian Railway plan to progressively increase the speeds upto 160 Kilometre per hour(KMPH) on identified sections.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Does not arise.