GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:620 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2005 COACH REHABILITATION WORKSHOP IN BHOPAL Moghe Shri Krishna Murari

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent a proposal to convert coach rehabilitation workshop, Bhopal into rail coach factory.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Union Government on the proposal?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) Yes, Sir, A letter has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh addressed to Hon'ble Minister of Railways on the subject.

(b) In the aforesaid letter, the Government of Madhya Pradesh have mentioned the need for conversion of Coach rehabilitation workshop, Bhopal into rail coach factory.

(c) Coach manufacturing facilities are available with Indian Railways at Integral Coach Factory/Chennai and Rail Coach Factory/Kapurthalla. In addition, Bharat Earthmovers Ltd./Bangalore and Jessops/Calcutta are also manufacturing coaches. At this stage, it is not the intention of the Govt. of India to set up a new rail coach factory at Bhopal or anywhere else as the existing capacity of the coach manufacturing units with ongoing plans for expansion is considered sufficient for the present need.