GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1582
ANSWERED ON 10.12.2021

CHHITAUNI-TAMKUHI ROAD RAILWAY LINE

1582. # SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the Chhitauni-Tamkuhi road railway line project inaugurated by the Minister of Railways in the year 2007;

(b) whether it is a fact that no progress of work is visible there even after so many years; and

(c) by when this project would be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1582 BY SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 10.12.2021 REGARDING CHHITAUNI-TAMKUHI ROAD RAILWAY LINE

(a) to (c): Presently, 79 projects (16 new lines, 5 gauge conversion and 58 doubling), costing ₹97,961 crore for 7,038 km length falling fully/partly in Uttar Pradesh are under different stages of planning/approval/execution. Out of which, 1056 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 19,224 crore has been incurred upto March 2021. These include:

- 16 New Line Projects covering a length of 1,743 km at a cost of ₹29,060 crore, out of which 260 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 4,456 crore has been incurred upto March 21.
- 05 Gauge Conversion Projects covering a length of 447 km at a cost of ₹2,717 crore, out of which 275 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 1,918 crore has been incurred upto March 21.
- 58 Doubling Projects covering a length of 4,848 km at a cost of ₹ 66,184 crore, out of which 521 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 12,850 crore has been incurred upto March 21.

Construction of new line from Chhitauni-Tamkuhi Road has been taken up as part of Paniyahwa-Chhitauni -Tamkuhi Road (62.55 Km) new line project. Land acquisition has been taken up. Earth work, Blanketing, Minor bridges work, etc. have been taken up in Chhitauni-Jatha section (10 Km) where land is available.

Thorough review of Railways ongoing projects has been carried out and with focused approach, projects have been prioritized for resource allocation and timely completion of projects. All out sincere efforts are made by Railways for quick execution of these projects so as to get early returns to Railways.

Since 2014, Railway has substantially increased budget allocations for Infrastructure projects & safety works. Average annual Budget allocation for Infrastructure projects & safety works, falling fully/ partly in State of Uttar Pradesh, during 2014-19 has been enhanced to ₹5,278 crore per year from ₹1,109 crore per year (during 2009-14). Thus, the average budget allocation during 2014-19 is 376% more as compared to average allocation during 2009-14 (₹1,109 Cr/Year). These allocations have been enhanced to ₹8,403 crore in 2019-20 and ₹8,576 crore in 2020-21 which are 658% and 673% more than the average allocation of 2009-14 (₹1,109 Cr/Year) respectively. Total allocation of Budget has further been enhanced to ₹14,128 crore (original outlay ₹ 12,696 crore and additional ₹ 1432 crore) in 2021-22, which is the highest ever budget allocation for the State of Uttar Pradesh and 1174% more than the average of 2009-14 (₹1,109 Cr/Year).

There is substantial increase in rate of commissioning since 2014. During 2009-14, 996 km (70 km of New line, 667 km of Gauge conversion and 259 km of Doubling projects), falling fully/partly in the state of Uttar Pradesh, have been commissioned at an average rate of 199.2 km per year. During 2014-21, 2032 Km (204 km of New line, 631 km of Gauge conversion and 1197 km of Doubling projects), falling fully/partly in the state of Uttar Pradesh, have been commissioned at an average rate of 290.29 km per year, which is 46% more than average annual commissioning achieved during 2009-14.

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