

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 469
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022

INDORE - MANMAD RAILWAY PROJECT

469 # DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Indore-Manmad railway project;
- (b) whether the said project has been delayed;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether Railways is going to launch any other rail project in Madhya Pradesh, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 469 BY DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 09.12.2022 REGARDING INDORE - MANMAD RAILWAY PROJECT

(a) to (c): Manmad - Indore (358 km) new line project has been included in Railway Budget 2016-17 subject to requisite government approvals. Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the project prepared in July, 2017. As per DPR, cost of the project assessed was ₹ 8857.97 crore.

Earlier, Ministry of Railways (MoR) has approved the proposal to implement the project under Joint Venture (JV) model of participative policy of Ministry of Railways. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has accordingly been entered into between Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) and State Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra to set up a JV Company for taking up this project with the Indian Port Railway Corporation Limited (IPRCL) as the executing agency.

Subsequently, keeping in view of the plans of JNPT to invest in other projects, it has decided to defer the investment in the said project. Accordingly, examination of DPR of the project has been taken up as railway project.

(d): Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise as Indian Railways' projects may span across State boundaries. However, as on 01.04.2022, 33 projects (8 new lines, 2 Gauge conversion and 23 Doubling) of 5,872 km length, costing ₹ 84,469 crore falling fully/ partly in Madhya Pradesh are under different stages of planning/ approval/ execution, out of which, 1319 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 23,780 crore has been incurred upto March, 2022.

New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/ partly in Madhya Pradesh are covered in West Central Railway (WCR), North Central Railway (NCR), Western Railway (WR), North Western Railway (NWR), South Central Railway (SCR), South East Central Railway (SECR), Central Railway (CR) and East Central Railway (ECR) Zones of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website i.e. www.indianrailways.gov.in >Ministry of Railways >Railway Board >About Indian Railways >Railway Board Directorates >Finance (Budget) >Rail Budget/Pink Book (Year)> Railway wise Works Machinery and Rolling Stock Programme.

Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in Budget allotment for infrastructure projects and commensurate commissioning.

Average annual Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the state of Madhya Pradesh, during 2014-19 has been enhanced to ₹ 4,213 crore per year from ₹ 632 crore per year during 2009-14, which is 567% more than average annual Budget allocation during 2009-14. These allocations have been increased to ₹ 6,906 crore in Financial Year 2019-20 (993% more than average annual Budget allocation of 2009-14), ₹ 6,509 crore in Financial Year 2020-21 (930% more than the average annual Budget allocation of 2009-14) and ₹ 9,041 crore in Financial Year 2021-22 (1331% more than the average annual Budget allocation of 2009-14). For Financial Year 2022-23, highest ever Budget allocation of ₹ 12,110 crore has been provided for these projects, which is 1816% more than the average annual Budget allocation of 2009-14 (₹ 632 crore per year).

During 2014-22, 1515 km sections (293 km New line, 631 km Gauge conversion and 591 km Doubling), falling fully/partly in the state of Madhya Pradesh, have been commissioned at an average rate of 189.38 km per year, which is 553% more than average annual commissioning achieved during 2009-14 (29 km per year).
