GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3485 ANSWERED ON 31.03.2023

NEW RAILWAY LINES

3485 DR. SASMIT PATRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new Railway lines sanctioned by the Ministry since 2018 till present date, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (b) the details of total funds allocated and spent on these sanctioned new railway lines from 2018 till present date, State-wise and year-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3485 BY DR. SASMIT PATRA ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 31.03.2023 REGARDING NEW RAILWAY LINES

(a) and (b): New Railway line projects are surveyed/sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise as the Railways' surveys/projects may span across State boundaries.

31 New Line projects have been sanctioned across various Zonal railways by the Ministry of Railways since FY 2018-19 to FY 2022-23 (Upto 22^{nd} March, 2023). Zonal Railway wise details of New Line projects are as under:-

SN	Railway	Name of Project	Year of Sanction
1	Central Railway	Solapur-Tuljapur-Osmanabad (84 Km)	2018-19
2	Central Railway	Dhule (Borvihir)-Nardana (51Km)	2018-19
3	East Central Railway	Jhajha-Batia (20 Km)	2018-19
4	East Central Railway	Parasnath-Madhuban-Giridih new line (49 Km)	2018-19
5	Eastern Railway	Chitra-Basukinath (38 Km)	2018-19
6	North Eastern Railway	Bahraich-Shravasti-Balrampur/ Tulsipur (Khalilabad) (240 Km)	2018-19
7	Southeast Central Railway	Chirimiri-Nagpur Halt (17 Km)	2018-19
8	Southern Railway	Morappur-Dharmapuri (36 Km)	2018-19
9	West Central Railway	Indore-Budni (Jabalpur) (205 Km)	2018-19
10	North Western Railway	Nimach-Badi Sadri (48 Km)	2018-19
11	Central Railway	Vaibhavwadi-Kolhapur (108 Km)	2019-20
12	East Coast Railway	Talcher & Angul with 'Y' connection at Talcher (14 Km)	2019-20
13	Northeastern Railway	Sahjanwa-Dohrighat (81 Km)	2019-20
14	North Western Railway	Gudha-Thathana Mithri Test Track for RDSO (25 Km)	2019-20
15	Southern Railway	Rameswaram-Dhanushkodi (17 Km)	2019-20
16	South Western Railway	Shimoga-Shikaripura-Ranebennur (89 Km)	2019-20
17	South Western Railway	Hassan-Belur (32 Km)	2019-20
18	South Western Railway	Dharwad to Belgaum via Kittur (73 Km)	2020-21

SN	Railway	Name of Project	Year of Sanction
19	Northeast Frontier Railway	Construction of Mahisasan (India)- Zero Point (Bangladesh) (2.7 Km)	2020-21
20	North Western Railway	Dedicated Test Track for RDSO (Phase- II) (34 Km)	2021-22
21	East Coast Railway	Kodingamali Bauxite Mines to Singaram Railway Station (9.40 Km)	2022-23
22	South Western Railway	Malugur-Palasamudram New Line (17.98 Km)	2022-23
23	East Coast Railway	Gandhamardan Iron Ore Mines to Goaldih railway station (12.76 Km)	2022-23
24	Western Railway	New Line intersection (5 nos.) between Geratpur- Sanand & Botad –Ahmedabad (16.51 Km)	2022-23
25	North Western Railway	"Indian Railway station "Gegal Akhri" to Western Dedicated Freight Corridor Station "New Kishangarh"	2022-23
26	Southern Railway	Provision of connectivity at Northern end of Karaikal Port to directly access Peralam-Karaikal New Line (1 Km)	2022-23
27	Western Railway	New Line between Naliya-Jakhau Port (24.88 Km) (25 Km)	2022-23
28	North Western Railway	Connectivity between Indian Railway station "Pachar Malikpur" and Western Dedicated Freight Corridor Station station "New Malikpur"	2022-23
29	North Western Railway	Additional Dedicated Freight Corridor Connection between Indian Railway and Western Dedicated Freight Corridor at "New Kishangarh" (Block Section) – "Madar"	2022-23
30	Central Railway	Kalyan-Murbad via Ulhasnagar (28 Km)	2022-23
31	North Western Railway	Taranga Hill-Abu Road via Ambaji (117 Km)	2022-23

Zone-wise and Year-wise details of all 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 fund allocation for New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling Projects and commensurate commissioning of Projects in Indian Railways. The Average Annual Budget allocation for New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling Projects across Indian Railways during 2014-19 increased to ₹26,026 crore per year from ₹11,527 crore per year during 2009-14 (126% more than average annual budget allocation during 2009-14). The Annual Budget allocation for these projects increased to ₹39,836 crore in Financial Year 2019-20 (246% more than Average Annual Budget Allocation during 2009-14), ₹43,626 crore in Financial Year 2020-21 (278% more than the Average Annual Budget allocation during 2009-14), ₹56,716 crore for Financial year 2021-22 (392% more than Average Annual Budget Allocation during 2009-14) and ₹67,001 crore in Financial Year 2022-23 (481% more than average annual budget allocation of 2009-14). For Financial Year 2023-24, highest ever budget outlay of ₹67,199 crore has been proposed for these works, which is 483 % more than Average Annual Budget allocation of 2009-14 (₹11527 Crore/Year).

During 2014-22, across Indian Railway, 20,628 km sections (3,970 km New Line, 5,507 km Gauge Conversion and 11,151 km Doubling) has been commissioned at an average of 2,579 km/year which is 70% more than the average annual commissioning during 2009-14 (1,520 km/year).
