

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1076

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BULLET TRAIN PROJECTS

1076 SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of bullet train projects in action and planned across the country;
- (b) the reasons for delay in implementation of these projects;
- (c) whether Railways have considered any proposal for operating more number of bullet trains (fast trains) in different railway zones/routes of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a): The Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project is the only sanctioned High Speed Rail project in the country. The current status of the MAHSR Project is as under:

- Out of total land requirement of approx. 1389.5 ha. about 1381.9 ha. land acquired.
- 1612 out of 1651 utilities shifted.
- All the civil contracts of the project has been awarded.
- The entire project has been divided into 28 Contract packages. At present, 23 packages have been awarded.
- Total 69.8 Km of Girder have been Launched (Superstructure), 95.4 km of Girder Casting have been done, 248.64 km of foundation and 206.96 km of the pier have been completed.

(b): Delay in land acquisition especially in the State of Maharashtra and consequent delays in finalization of contracts have impacted the project implementation.

(c) and (d): Ministry of Railways has assigned the work for preparation of Survey/Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the following seven High Speed Rail (HSR) Corridor/Project to National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL):

- (i) Delhi - Varanasi
- (ii) Delhi -Ahmedabad
- (iii) Mumbai-Nagpur
- (iv) Mumbai -Hyderabad
- (v) Chennai - Mysore
- (vi) Delhi - Amritsar
- (vii) Varanasi-Howrah