

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1882
ANSWERED ON 04.08.2023

**COMPLETION OF ELECTRIFICATION OF BROAD GAUGE LINES IN
WEST BENGAL**

1882 SMT. SHANTA CHHETRI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the project for electrification of all broad gauge lines in West Bengal is pending; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the stipulated timeframe within which the project will be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b) 3,682 Route kilometers (RKM) Broad Gauge lines out of 4,047 Route Kilometers have been electrified in the State of West Bengal. Only, 365 RKM are balance for electrification. The completion of Electrification project(s) depends on various factors like forest clearances by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law & order situation in the area of project(s) site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the project(s).
