GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2186 ANSWERED ON 09.08.2024

SAMBAL-GAJRAULA RAILWAY CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

2186 # SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any railway project was chalked out to connect Sambal and Gajraula in the year 2016;
- (b) whether survey and allocation of funds for the said project have been completed;
- (c) if so, the reason for the delay in the Sambal-Gajraula railway project; and
- (d) by when the said project is likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING 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. 2186 BY SHRI SANJAY SINGH ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 09.08.2024 REGARDING SAMBAL-GAJRAULA RAILWAY CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

(a) to (d): Sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Railway Infrastructure Projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes including connectivity to hilly and border areas, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon liabilities of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands.

A survey of Sambal Hatimsarai to Gajraula new line (43.32 km) was carried out in 2015-16. The project could not be taken forward due to low traffic projections. However, Sambal Hatimsarai and Gajraula are connected with Rail network via Moradabad.

As on 01.04.2024, 68 Projects (16 New Line, 03 Gauge Conversion and 49 Doubling) of a total length 5,874 km, costing ₹92,001 crore, falling fully/partly in Uttar Pradesh are in planning/approval/construction stage, out of which 1313 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹28,366 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024.

- (i) 16 New Line projects covering total length of 1,740 km at a cost of ₹29,156 crore, out of which 297 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹8,672 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.
- (ii) 3 Gauge Conversion projects covering total length of 261 km at a cost of ₹2453 crore and an expenditure of ₹26 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.
- (iii) 49 Doubling projects covering total length of 3873 km at a cost of ₹60,392 crore, out of which 1016 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹19,668 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.

Average Budget allocation for Infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/ partly in Uttar Pradesh is as under:

Period	Average Outlay	Increase w.r.t average allocation during 2009-14
2009-14	₹1109 crore/year	-
2024-25	₹19,848 crore	More than 17.50 times

Average Annual commissioning for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh is as under:-

Period	Commissioning	Increase w.r.t. average annual
		commissioning during 2009-14
2009-14	199.2 km /Yr	-
2014-24	490.2 Km/Yr.	Approx 2.50 times
