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RAJYA SABHA
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MEASURES TO COMPLETE BULLET TRAIN PROJECT

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is taking measures to complete the bullet train project in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the progress made in this respect;
- (c) if not, the reasons for the delay or halting of the same;
- (d) the stipulated timeline laid down for the same; and
- (e) the proposed lines in this respect as part of the bullet train project?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): Presently, Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project (508 Kms) is the only sanctioned project of High Speed Rail in India under execution with technical and financial assistance from Government of Japan. The project passes through 12 stations i.e. Mumbai, Thane, Virar, Boisar, Vapi, Bilimora, Surat, Bharuch, Vadodara, Anand, Ahmedabad and Sabarmati.

The delay in land acquisition in the State of Maharashtra has impacted the project till 2021. The land acquisition picked up in 2022 in Maharashtra.

Currently, the entire land (1389.5 ha) required for the project has been acquired. The progress of various major items till March, 2025 is as under:

Item	Progress	
	Gujarat	Maharashtra
Foundation	350 kms.	42 kms
Piers	350 kms.	28 kms.
Girder Casting	317 kms.	Nil
Girder Launching	287 kms.	Nil

Further, the construction of undersea tunnel (about 21 kms. length) has also been taken up.

Bullet train project is a very complex and technology intensive Project. Considering the highest level of safety and associated maintenance protocols, Bullet train project has been designed with the support of Japanese railway. It is customized for Indian requirements and climatic conditions. Timelines for the completion of the project can be reasonably ascertained after the completion of all associated works of Civil Structures, Track, Electrical, Signaling & Telecommunication and supply of Trainsets.
