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RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN MADHYA PRADESH

2346 # SMT. MAYA NAROLIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of doubling/tripling/quadrupling of Rail line works completed in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;
- (b) whether third line work between Katni-Bina has been approved;
- (c) if so, the current status of the project;
- (d) whether doubling of this track will benefit industrial clusters in that specific area; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): Budget allocation in the recent years has increased significantly. Budget allocation for Infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh is as under:

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹632 crore/year
2025-26	₹14,745 crore (More than 23 times)

The details of commissioning/laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh during 2009-14 and 2014-25 is as under:

Period	New Track Commissioned	Average Commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	145 Km	29 Km/year
2014-25	2651 Km	241 Km/year (More than 8 times)

As on 01.04.2025, 24 Railway projects (08 New Lines, 02 Gauge Conversion and 14 Doubling), of total length of 4,740 Km costing ₹89,543 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh, are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 2,092 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹41,401 crore has been incurred upto March 2025. The status of work is summarized as under:

Plan Head	No. of projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned (in Km)	Expenditure upto March 2025 (₹ in Cr)
New Lines	8	1914	544	15069
Gauge Conversion	2	809	430	6766
Doubling / Multitracking	14	2017	1118	19566
Total	24	4,740	2,092	41,401

Details of some of the recently completed projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are as under:

S.No.	Name of Project	Latest Cost (₹ in Crores)
1.	Guna- Etawah New Line (348 Km)	683
2.	Jabalpur-Gondia Gauge Conversion (300 Km)	2005
3.	Chhindwara-Nagpur Gauge Conversion (150 Km)	1512
4.	Chhindwara-Mandla Fort Gauge Conversion (182 Km)	1268
5.	Ghat Pindari-Balkheda Doubling (6 Km)	29
6.	Guna-Ruthiyai Doubling (20 Km)	175
7.	Khodri – Anuppur Doubling (62 Km)	489
8.	Jukhei Chord line, Bye Passing the Katni Yard (2 Km)	12
9.	Sontalai-Bagratawa Doubling (7 Km)	110
10.	Itarsi-Budhni 3rd line (25 Km)	286
11.	Teegaon-Chichonda Ghat Section 3 rd line (17 Km)	176

12.	Bhopal-Bina 3rd line (145 km)	1075
13.	Barkhera-Habibganj 3rd line (41 km)	473
14.	Nagda-Ujjain Doubling of Gambhir Bridge (2 Km)	28
15.	Pendra Road-Anuppur 3rd line (50 Km)	394
16.	Bina-Kota Doubling (283 km)	2477
17.	Nimach-Chittaurgarh Doubling (56 Km)	560
18.	Khodri-Anuppur Doubling with flyover at Bilaspur (72 Km)	792
19.	Budhni-Barkhera 3rd line (27 Km)	1703
20.	Indore-Ujjain Doubling (79 Km)	757
21.	Powerkheda-Jujharpur Single line flyover in UP direction (16 Km)	443
22.	Anuppur-Katni 3rd line (165 Km)	2311
23.	Ramna-Singrauli doubling (160 Km)	2436
24.	Karaila Road- Shaktinagar Doubling(32 Km)	763
25.	Malkhedi-Mahadeokhedi Doubling (12 Km)	59

Some of the main projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh which have been taken up are as under:

S. No	Project	Cost (₹ in Crores)
1.	Manmad-Indore New Line (309 Km) (Excluding Dhule-Nardana (51 Km) – Sanctioned separately)	16320
2.	Ramganjmandi-Bhopal New Line (189 Km)	5073
3.	Indore-Budni New Line (198 Km)	7474
4.	Lalitpur-Satna, Rewa-Singrauli & Mahoba-Khajuraho New Line (541 Km)	8914
5.	Dahod-Indore New Line (205 Km)	4095
6.	Chhota Udepur-Dhar New Line (147 Km)	1794
7.	Nimach-Badi Sadri New Line (48 Km)	495

8.	Gwalior-Sheopurkalan Gauge Conversion with extension to Kota (284 Km)	2913
9.	Ratlam-Akola Gauge Conversion (525 Km)	6384
10.	Itarsi- Nagpur 3rd line (280 Km)	2450
11.	Jhansi-Bina 3rd line (153 Km)	2002
12.	Mathura-Jhansi 3rd line (274 Km)	5924
13.	Jhansi- Manikpur & Khirar-Bhimsen Doubling (431 Km)	4330
14.	Katni - Bina 3rd line (260 Km)	3138
15.	Katni- Grade separator / Bypass (35 Km)	2300
16.	Katni- Singrauli Doubling (257 Km)	4377
17.	Satna-Rewa Doubling (50 Km)	590
18.	Ruthiyai Bye Pass line (3 Km)	54
19.	Guna Bye Pass line (2 Km)	179
20.	Nimach-Ratlam Doubling (133 Km)	1096
21.	Ujjain Fly Over (2 Km)	100
22.	Shahdol-Singhpur Doubling (6 Km)	54
23.	Bhusawal-Khandwa 3rd & 4th Line (131 Km)	3285

The project of 3rd line between Bina-Katni (260 Km) was sanctioned at a cost of ₹2478 crore. Out of 260 Km length, 235 Km has been commissioned and work has been taken up in remaining portion.

The Bina–Katni section is an important and heavily utilized route on the West Central Railway. Due to increasing train movements and growing demand from expanding industries, upcoming thermal power plants, and a new oil refinery, the existing double line is operating under capacity constraints. To address the rising freight and passenger traffic and to reduce congestion and delays, construction of a third line between Bina and Katni has been planned as a necessary infrastructure augmentation. After commissioning of 3rd line, more passenger and freight trains can be operated in this section.

Railway projects are surveyed/ sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise/UT wise/District wise as the Railway projects may span across State/UT/District boundaries. Railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness, traffic projections, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives, Railway's own operational requirement, socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon throwforward of ongoing projects and overall availability of funds.

Railway infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are covered under North Central Railway, West Central Railway, East Central Railway, Western Railway, Central Railway, South Central Railway and South East Central Railway zones of Indian Railways. Zonal Railway wise details of Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railway's website.

Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project/s site, number of working months in a year for particular project site etc. All these factors affect the completion time and cost of the project/s.
