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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
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PROGRESS OF COMPONENT RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ODISHA

1561 SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the district-wise break-up of the package and the progress of component projects, including the Jakhapura-Jajpur Keonjhar Road-Baitarani Road and Hindol Road- Meramandali multi-tracking projects;
- (b) the progress of the Bhubaneswar and Puri railway station redevelopment projects against the November, 2026 completion target; and
- (c) the compensation-disbursal support extended to families affected by land acquisition for these projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(a) to (c): Jakhapura-Jajpur Keonjhar Road-Baitarani Road (19 Km) section is a part of Bhadrak – Nergundi (80 Km) 3rd line Project. This section has been commissioned in two parts i.e. (i) Baitarani Road – Jajpur Keonjhar Road (11 Km) in October, 2025 and (ii) Jajpur Keonjhar Road – Jakhapura (8 Km) in March, 2026. Status of the project is as under:-

S. No.	Section	Status
1	Bhadrak-Baitarani Road (32 Km)	Land acquisition has been completed. 22 out of 27 minor Bridges have been completed and works have been taken up on balance minor Bridges. 9 out of 14 major Bridges have been completed and works have been taken up on balance major Bridges. All the RUBs (02 Nos) have been completed. 3 out of 4 Station Buildings have been completed and works have been taken up on balance Station Buildings.
2	Baitarani Road-Jajpur Keonjhar Road-Jakhapura (19 Km)	Commissioned.

3	Haridaspur – Byree (15 Km)	Commissioned.
4	Byree – Kapilas Road (10 Km)	Land acquisition and Forest land diversion have been completed. All minor Bridges (12 Nos), major Bridges (03 Nos), RUBs (03 Nos) and Station Buildings (02 Nos) have been completed. 5 Km out of 10 Km Track linking have been completed and works have been taken up on balance Track linking
5	Kapilas Road – Nergundi (4 Km)	Commissioned.

Hindol Road-Meramandali (13 Km) section is a part of Salegaon- Budhapank (85 Km) 3rd and 4th line Project. This section has been commissioned in November, 2025. Status of the project is as under:-

S. No.	Section	Status
1	Salegaon – Rajathgarh (23 Km)	Commissioned.
2	Rajathgarh – Dhenkanal (20 Km)	Land acquisition and forest land diversion have been completed. All minor Bridges (36 Nos), major Bridges (04 Nos) and Station Building (01 No) have been completed. 41 Tkm out of 44 Tkm Track linking have been completed and works have been taken up on balance Track linking
3	Dhenkanal –Hindol Road (21 Km)	Commissioned.
4	Hindol Road – Meramundali (13 Km)	Commissioned.
5	Meramundali – Budhapank (8 Km)	Land acquisition and forest land diversion have been completed. All major Bridges (02 Nos) and Station Buildings (02 Nos) have been completed. 20 out of 21 minor Bridges have been completed and works have been taken up on balance minor Bridge.

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Railway Budget:

Budget allocation in recent years has increased significantly. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha is as under:

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹ 838 Cr./year
2026-27	₹ 10,928 Cr. (More than 13 times)

Track Construction:

The details of commissioning/laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha is as under:

Period	New Track Commissioned	Average Commissioning of new tracks per year
2009-14	267 Km	53 Km
2014-26	2,236 Km	186 Km (More than 3.5 times)

Project Sanctioned:

As on 01.04.2026, 55 projects (19 New Lines and 36 Doubling/Multi-tracking), of a total length of 4,256 Km, costing ₹ 81,739 crore, falling fully/partly in Odisha, are sanctioned. The summary is as under:-

Category	No of sanctioned Projects	Total Length NL/GC/DL (in Km)	Length Commissioned till Mar'26 (in Km)	Total Exp upto Mar'26 (₹ in Cr)
New Lines	19	1,544	277	7,288
Doubling/Multi-tracking	36	2,712	1,309	21,675
Total	55	4,256	1,586	28,963

Recently Completed Projects:

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

S. No.	Name of Project	Cost (In Crores of ₹)
1	Daitari-Banspani New Line and Jakhapura-Haridaspur 3 rd Line (179 Km)	1,317
2	Jharsuguda - Sardega New Line (53 Km)	1,598
3	Haridaspur-Paradeep New Line (82 Km)	2,397
4	Angul-Sukinda New Line (104 Km)	2,834
5	Champa-Jharsuguda 3 rd Line (152 Km)	1,227
6	Sambalpur-Titlagarh Doubling (182 Km)	2,262
7	Rourkela-Jharsuguda 3 rd Line (101 Km)	1,313

S. No.	Name of Project	Cost (In Crores of ₹)
8	Banspani- Jakhapura Doubling (164 Km)	1,827
9	Sambalpur-Talcher Doubling (174 Km)	1,539
10	Raipur - Titlagarh Doubling (203 Km)	1,171
11	Jharsuguda-Sardega Doubling (50 Km)	3,200

Ongoing Projects:

Further, some of the main projects falling fully/partly in Odisha which have been taken up are as under:

S. No.	Name of Project	Total Cost (In Crores of ₹)
1	Junagarh-Nabarangpur New Line (116 Km)	2,865
2	Nabarangpur-Jeypore New Line (41 Km)	748
3	Jeypore-Malkangiri New Line (130 Km)	2,344
4	Malkangiri – Pandurangapuram New Line (174 Km)	3,592
5	Buramara-Chakulia New Line (60 Km)	1,459
6	Gunupur-Therubali New Line (74 Km)	1,166
7	Puri - Konark New Line (32 Km)	492
8	Badampahar-Kendujhargarh New Line (82 Km)	1,876
9	Bangriposi-Gorumahisani New Line (86 Km)	2,269
10	Bargarh Road-Nawapara Road New Line (138 Km)	2,622
11	Nergundi - Vizianagaram 3 rd Line (385 Km)	4,963
12	Vizianagram-Titlagarh 3 rd Line (265 Km)	6,996
13	Sambalpur - Jarapada 3 rd and 4 th line (127 Km)	3,574
14	Budhapank- Salegaon via Rajatgarh 3 rd & 4 th Line (170 Km)	3,035
15	Kottavalasa-Koraput Doubling (189 Km)	3,580
16	Koraput-Singapur Road Doubling (165 Km)	2,462
17	Jagdarpur-Koraput Doubling (107 Km)	1,547
18	Jharsuguda-Bilaspur 4 th line (206 Km)	2,596
19	Jharsuguda-Sason 3 rd and 4 th line (35 Km)	1,113
20	Bondamunda-Ranchi Doubling (159 Km)	3,029
21	Narayangarh-Bhadrak 3 rd line (153 Km)	3,425
22	Bhadrak-Nergundi 3 rd Line (92 Km)	1,632
23	Cuttack-Nergundi 4 th line along with Rail flyover at Nergundi (16 Km)	759
24	Dangoaposi-Jaroli (Banspani) 3 rd & 4 th Line (43 Km)	1,638
25	Jarapada- Budhapank 3 rd & 4 th Line with flyover at Talcher (101 Km)	929
26	Flyover from Bondamunda A Cabin to Bondamunda Link B Cabin (5 Km)	135

For a Railway Project, Railway acquires land through concerned State/District Authorities. All the activities in connection with land acquisition like assessment of amount of compensation to land losers etc. are under purview of the State Government.

Compensation for land acquisition is made to the land losers by the Revenue Department of the State Government after demanding the same from Railways. The process is undertaken in coordination with state governments, following the provisions of the Railway Act, 1989.

Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors which include the following:

- Land acquisition
- Forest clearance
- Shifting of infringing utilities
- Statutory clearances from various authorities
- Geological and topographical conditions of area
- Law and order situation in the area of project 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.

Station Redevelopment:

Ministry of Railways has identified Bhubaneswar and Puri railway stations for redevelopment under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. The status of these stations is given below:

- **Bhubaneswar station:** The works of new station building at West and East side, air concourse, elevated driveway at West and East side, and extension of foot over bridge have been completed.

The works of improvement of platform surface, improvement of circulating area, platform shelters, lifts and escalators have been taken up.

- **Puri station:** The structural works of new station building and platform shelters have been completed.

The works of improvement of platform surface, improvement of circulating area, finishing works of new station building, lifts and escalators have been taken up.

Amrit Bharat Station Scheme involves preparation of master plans and their implementation in phases to improve the stations of Indian Railways. The master planning, keeping in view the necessity of each station, includes:

- Improvement of access to station and circulating areas
- Integration of station with both sides of city

- Improvement of station building
- Improvement of waiting halls, toilets, sitting arrangement, water booths
- Provision of wider foot over bridge/subway to commensurate with passenger traffic
- Provision of lifts/escalators/ramps
- Improvement of platform surface/ provision of platform shelter
- Provision of kiosks for local products through schemes like ‘One Station One Product’
- Parking development
- Amenities for Divyangjans
- Better passenger information systems
- Provision of air concourse, executive lounges, Multimodal integration, landscaping, etc.

The scheme also envisages sustainable and environment friendly solutions etc. as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centre at the station in the long term.

So far, 1,340 stations have been identified for development under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, out of which 59 stations including Bhubaneswar and Puri stations are located in Odisha. The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in, Odisha are as following:

State	No. of Stations	Names of Stations
Odisha	59	Angul, Badampahar, Balangir, Baleshwar, Balugaon, Barbil, Bargarh Road, Baripada, Barpali, Belpahar, Betnoti, Bhadrak, Bhawanipatna, Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar New, Bimlagarh, Brahmapur, Brajrajnagar, Chatrapur, Cuttack, Damanjodi, Dhenkanal, Gunupur, Harishanker Road, Himgir, Hirakud, JajpurKeonjhar Road, Jaleswar, Jaroli, Jeypore, Jharsuguda Jn, Jharsuguda Road, Kantabanji, Kendujhargarh, Kesinga, Khariar Road, Khurda Road Jn, Koraput Jn, Lingaraj Temple Road, Mancheswar, Meramandali, Muniguda, Panposh, Paradeep, Parlakhemundi, Puri, Raghunathpur, Rairakhol, Rairangpur, Rajgangpur, Rayagada, Rourkela, Sakhi Gopal, Sambalpur, Sambalpur city, Soro, Talcher, Talcher Road, Titlagarh Jn.

Completed Stations:

Development works at railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in Odisha have been taken up at a good pace. Details of stations completed in Odisha area as under:

State	No. of Stations	Names of Stations
Odisha	09	Balangir, Baripada, Barpali, Bimalgarh, Cuttack, Kesinga, Khariar Road, Parlakhemundi, Talcher

The activities for development at other stations have also been taken up at good pace and progress of some of the stations is as given below:

Other stations of Odisha:

- **Mancheswar station:** The works of extension of station building, improvement of circulating area, approach road, booking office, platform shelters and toilet have been completed. The works of improvement of station building, skywalk connecting extended station building and lifts have been taken up.
- **Lingaraj Temple Road station:** The works of improvement of platform surface, platform shelters and toilet have been completed. The works of extension and improvement of station building, 12m wide foot over bridge, lifts, installation of Train Indication Board and Coach Indication Board have been taken up.
- **Jeypore station:** The works of improvement of waiting hall, toilet and 12 m wide foot over bridge have been completed. The works of improvement of station building, circulating area, installation of signages and lifts have been taken up.
- **Koraput Junction station:** The structural works of new station building, 12 m wide foot over bridge and parking have been completed. The works of new station building, platform shelters, 12 m wide foot over bridge and improvement of circulating area have been taken up.
- **Kantabanji station:** The works of improvement of waiting hall, platform shelters, parking and lifts have been completed. The works of improvement of station building, circulating area, platform surface and 12 m wide foot over bridge have been taken up.

Further, development / redevelopment / upgradation / modernisation of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and ongoing process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. Development / redevelopment / upgradation / modernisation of a station is carried out based on category of station/condition/traffic handled etc.

Development / Upgradation of railway stations is a complex in nature involving safety of passengers & trains and requires various statutory clearances such as tree cutting, heritage, fire clearance, airport clearance etc. These stations are in operation since long, so brownfield work challenges are being faced, such as shifting of utilities (involving water/sewage lines, optical fibre cables, gas pipelines, power/signal cables, etc.), infringements, operation of trains without hindering passenger movement, speed restrictions due to works carried out in close proximity of the tracks and near to high voltage power lines, etc. and these factors affect the progress of work and completion time.
