

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2375
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NEW RAILWAY LINE PROJECT FROM DUNGARPUR TO RATLAM VIA BANSWARA

2375# SHRI MADAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a new railway line project of 189-kilometer from Dungarpur to Ratlam via Banswara has been announced in the budget, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the current status of the said new railway line project;
- (c) the amount released/spent on it so far by the Central Government and the State Government, the details thereof; and
- (d) the reasons for the delay in the work of the said new railway line and the time by when the work is likely to be commenced?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d): Ratlam-Banswara-Dungarpur (189 Km) new line project was sanctioned at a cost of ₹2083 crore on 50:50 cost-sharing basis between Government of Rajasthan and the Ministry of Railways. Land for this project is also to be provided by State Government of Rajasthan at their own cost. So far, 646 hectares land out of total required 1,736 hectares land has been acquired. An expenditure of ₹243 crore has been incurred upto March 2026.

Moreover, to extend connectivity in the Banswara region, a survey for Nimach-Banswara-Dahod-Alirajpur-Nandurbar new line (380 Km) has also been sanctioned for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR).

After preparation of DPR, sanctioning of project requires consultation with various stake-holders including State Governments and necessary approvals viz. appraisal of NITI Aayog, Ministry of Finance etc. As sanctioning of projects is a continuous and dynamic process, exact timelines depend upon appraisals and approvals by various stakeholders.

Rajasthan

Railway Budget:

Budget allocation in the recent years has increased significantly. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan is as under:-

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹682 Cr./Yr
2026-27	₹10,228 Cr. (Nearly 15 times)

Track Construction:

The details of constructing new track falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan is as under:

Period	New track Commissioned	Average commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	798 Km	160 Km/year
2014-26	3,886 Km	324 Km/year (Nearly 2 times)

Projects sanctioned:

As on 01.04.2026, 32 projects (15 New Lines, 05 Gauge Conversion and 12 Doubling), of a total length of 3447 km, costing ₹47,498 crore, falling fully/partly in Rajasthan are sanctioned. The summary is as under:-

Category	No. of Projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned Upto Mar'26 (Km)	Expenditure upto Mar'26 (₹ in Cr.)
New Line	15	999	239	7,602
Gauge Conversion	5	1,252	815	7,859
Doubling/ Multitracking	12	1,196	268	7,784
Total	32	3,447	1,322	23,245

Recently completed projects:

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

S.No.	Project	Cost (₹ in crore)
1	Bangurgram-Ras New Line (28 Km)	175
2	Thaiyat Hamira-Sanu New Line (58 Km)	350
3	Suratpura - Sriganganagar Gauge Conversion (241 Km)	896
4	Sadulpur-Bikaner & Ratangarh-Degana Gauge Conversion (438 Km)	886
5	Jaipur- Churu & Sikar-Loharu Gauge Conversion (320 Km)	1,105

S.No.	Project	Cost (₹ in crore)
6	Bhagat ki Kothi-Luni Doubling (28 Km)	128
7	Rani-Keshav Ganj Doubling (59 Km)	290
8	Guriya-Marwar & karjoda-Palanpur Doubling (49 Km)	251
9	Rani-Marwar Doubling (52 Km)	346
10	Abu Road to Swaroop Ganj Doubling (26 Km)	195
11	Abu Rd to Sarotra Rd Doubling (24 Km)	152
12	Alwar-Bandikui Doubling (60 Km)	450
13	Ajmer-Bangurgram Doubling (48 Km)	375
14	Bangurgram-Guriya Doubling (47 Km)	395
15	Bina-Kota Doubling (283 Km)	2,476
16	Nimach-Chittaurgarh Doubling (56 Km)	560
17	Degana-Rai ka Bagh Doubling (146 Km)	809
18	Dausa-Gangapur City Doubling (93 Km)	950
19	Phulera-Degana Doubling (108 Km)	702
20	Khatuwas-Narnaul Doubling (24 Km)	313
21	Churu-Ratangarh Doubling (43 Km)	423
22	Churu-Sadulpur Doubling (58 Km)	469

Ongoing Projects:

To further improve the Railway Infrastructure in the state of Rajasthan, following works have been taken up:-

S.No.	Name of the project	Cost (₹ In crore)
1.	Pushkar-Merta New Line (51 Km)	800
2.	Taranga Hill-Abu Road New Line (116 Km)	3,198
3.	Ramganjmandi-Bhopal New Line (277 Km)	5,073
4.	Nimach-Badi Sadri New Line (48 Km)	896
5.	Merta City-Ras New Line & Bypass at Merta Road Station (56 Km)	947
6.	Gwalior-Sheopurkalan Gauge Conversion (284 Km)	3,947
7.	Dholpur-Sirmuttra Gauge Conversion (145 Km)	747
8.	Ajmer-Chittaurgarh Gauge Conversion (420 Km)	1,834
9.	Nathdwara -Devgarh Madariya Gauge Conversion (83 Km)	1,597
10.	Mathura-Jhansi 3rd line (274 Km)	5,961
11.	Agra Fort-Bandikui Doubling (150 Km)	988
12.	Sawaimadhopur-Jaipur Doubling (131 Km)	1,204
13.	Luni-Bhildi Doubling (272 Km)	3,086

S.No.	Name of the project	Cost (₹ In crore)
14.	Ajmer-Chanderiya Doubling (178 Km)	1,635
15.	Rewari-Khatuwas Doubling (28 Km)	352
16.	Umra-Debari Doubling (25 Km)	492
17.	Ringas-Sikar Doubling (50 Km)	470
18.	Nagda-Mathura 3rd & 4th line (568 Km)	16,403

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

- Land acquisition by State Government
- 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.
