

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 110
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.11.2016**

NEW RAILWAY TRACKS

†110. SHRIMATI SAKUNTALA LAGURI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to lay new railway tracks to strengthen its network;**
- (b) if so, the total number of such sections the tracks of which are being changed across the country;**
- (c) whether the tracks of such sections have become dilapidated and old and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the targeted expenditure on laying of tracks has been fixed and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the time by which the work of new railway tracks is likely to be completed?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 110 BY SHRIMATI SAKUNTALA LAGURI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.11.2016 REGARDING NEW RAILWAY TRACKS

(a) to (e) : Track renewal is a continuous activity. Replacement of Railway tracks is sanctioned annually as and when a stretch of track becomes due for track renewal on age-cum-condition basis i.e. on the basis of traffic carried over the track and physical condition of track. As on 01.04.2016, 5900 km of track renewal is sanctioned, out of which 2668 km has been targeted for completion in 2016-17. The details of track renewal target and achievement, amount allocated and expenditure incurred for the current year are as under:

Year	Target (in km)	Achievement (Upto Sept. 2016) (in km)	Amount Allocated (₹ in Cr.)	Expenditure Incurred (₹ in Cr.)
2016-17	1500	1109	4000	2339.11
	Enhanced to: 2668		Enhanced to: 7500	

As per norms, track renewals works are to be completed within two to three years of sanction, depending on availability of resources.
