

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3632
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2016**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL

3632. SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether number of railway projects in the State of West Bengal have been either stalled or are progressing slowly due to inadequate budgetary allocation and, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (b) the details of railway projects sanctioned and pending in the State for the last three years?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3632 BY SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.12.2016 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL.

(a): No, Madam. No Railway projects lying fully/partly in West Bengal have been stalled or progressing slowly due to inadequate budgetary allocations. Budgetary allocations for execution of these Railway projects have been increasing consistently in keeping with the need of the project. At present, 19 New Line projects having length of 1660 km with latest anticipated cost of ₹19880 crore and an outlay of ₹963 crore provided in 2016-17 are being executed in West Bengal. So far, New Line projects of length of 645 Km have been completed and commissioned. Works on remaining 1015 Km New line projects of West Bengal are in progress as per availability of land.

In addition, 04 Gauge Conversion projects having length of 1153 km with latest anticipated cost of ₹7172 crore and an outlay of ₹187 crore provided in 2016-17 and 41 Doubling projects having length of 1743 Km with latest anticipated cost of ₹14880 crore with outlay of ₹1626 crore in 2016-17 are being executed in West Bengal.

Further, 07 Metropolitan Transport Projects having length of 117 km with latest anticipated cost of ₹22084 crore and an outlay of ₹1068 crore provided in 2016-17 are under execution in West Bengal. East-West Metro Corridor Project, Kolkata was stalled since 2012 on account of land acquisition and Rehabilitation & Resettlement issues. The work has now resumed since 2015 after finalization of a revised alignment to address all the issues.

Budgetary allocation is not done State-wise. However, major ongoing projects comprising New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling run across one or more States and allocation to these projects is made project-wise. Budget allocation in respect of these projects which, inter-alia, covers the State of West Bengal for last three years since 2013-14 are as under:-

(All figures ₹ in crore)

Plan Head	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
New Lines	288	525	726	963
Gauge Conversion	84	17	85	187
Doubling	368	738	1089	1626
Metropolitan Transport Projects	469	1364	908	1068
Total	1209	2644	2808	3844

Outlays for railway projects lying in West Bengal have been continuously increasing in recent past. During the period from April, 2009 to March, 2014, 489 Km (comprising 256 Km Doublings, 116 Km Gauge Conversions and 117 km New Line) have been completed and commissioned. During the period from April 2014 to March 2016, 375 Km (comprising 194 Km Doublings, 102 Km Gauge Conversions and 79 km New Line) have been completed and commissioned.

(b): Details of ongoing railway projects (As on 1.4.2016) in West Bengal including sanctioned during last three years are as under:-

S.No	Project	length (in km)	Latest Cost (□ in cr.)	Exp as on 31.3.2016 (□ in cr.)
NEW LINES				
1	Howrah-Amta, Bargachia-Champadanga-Tarakeshwar, Amta-Bagnan & new MM for Janghipara-Furfura sharif (12.3 km)	120	895	181.85
2	Eklakhi-Balurghat (87.11 km) ,Gazole-Itahar(28 km) & new MM for Raiganj-Itahar (21.8 km) & Itahar-Buniadpur (39 km)	175.91	1337	260.15
3	Tamluk-Digha, Deshpran-Nandigram with new MM for Kanthi-Egra (26.2 km); Nandakumar-Bolaipanda (27 km) NL & Nandigram-Kandhimari (Nayachar) (7 km) NL	167.6	1428	482.21
4	Laxmikantapur-Namkhana-Chandra Nagar (61.5km) with new MM for Kakadwip-Budakhali (5 km) & Chandranagar-Bakhali (17.2 km)	83.7	546.78	142.67
5	Rampurhat-Mandarhill via Dumka (130 km) with new MM for Rampurhat-Murarai (29.48 km)- 3rd line	159.48	920.2	985.13
6	Tarakeshwar-Bishnupur with Ext up to Dhaniakhali, Arambagh-Irphala & new MM for Irphala-Ghatal (11.2 km) & Arambagh-Champadanga (23.3 km)	154.27	1522.5	767.87
7	New Moynaguri-Jogighopa NL with GC of New Mal-Moynaguri Road and New Changrabanda-Changrabanda (3 km)	288.88	2531	2225.72
8	Azimganj-Murshidabad (Jiyaganj) incl. Rly. Bridge over river Bhagirathi	5	129	106.37
9	Araria-Galgalia (Thakurganj)	100	828	164.91
10	Jalalgarh-Kishanganj	50.077	565	5.13
11	Sivok-Rangpo	44.39	4190	280.79
12	Tarakeshwar-Magra (51.95 km) incl. MM for Tarakeshwar-Furfurasharif (21.75 km)	73.7	1025	3.95

S.No	Project	length (in km)	Latest Cost (□ in cr.)	Exp as on 31.3.2016 (□ in cr.)
13	Hasnabad-Hinalganj	14	450	7.27
14	Balurghat-Hilli	29.6	680	45.63
15	Kaliyaganj-Buniadpur	33.13	563	30.57
16	Bowaichandi-Arambagh	31	434	40.04
17	Digha-Jaleswar (41 km) with new MM for Digha-Egra (31 km)	72	1009	7.62
18	Bhadutola-Jhargram via Lalgarrh	54	760	0.13
19	Haldibari-International Border	3	67	00
	G. Total (19 no.)	1660	19880	5738

Note: 645 km out of 1660 km new lines has been commissioned.

GAUGE CONVERSION				
1	Bankura-Damodar valley with Bowaichandi Khana(22), Rainagar-Chinchai (20.9) Bankura-Mukutmonipur(57)& MM Mukutmonipur-Uparsol(26.70),Bankura (Kalabadi)-Purulia via Hura (65)&Mukutmonipur-Jhilmili(24)	281.85	2178	524.37
2	New Jalpaiguri-Siliguri-New Bongaigaon along with Branch lines & new MM for Chalsa-Naxalbari (16 km) NL & Rajabhatkhowa-Jainti (15.13 km) NL	433	1566	1073.5
3	Katihar-Jogbani with ext. upto Radhikapur, Katihar-Tejnarayanpur & new MM for Raiganj-Dalkhola(43.43 km) NL	277.43	1426	756.37
4	Burdwan-Katwa (51.52 km) with new MM for Katwa-Bazarsau (30.59 km) - DL, Katwa(Dainhat)-Mateswar (34.4 km), Nangun-Mangalkot (8.60 km) & Mateswar-Memari (35.6 km) NL	160.62	2002	400.57
	TOTAL	1153	7172	2755

Note: 770 km out of 1153 km Gauge conversions has been commissioned.

DOUBLING				
1	New Alipur-Akra & Budge Budge-Pujali with new MM for Pujali-Uluberia (Birshivpur) (10.25 km) & Pujali-Bahrahat (9.75 km) NL	40.76	914	33.19
2	Kalinarayanpur-Krishnanagar with Krishnanagar-Shantipur-Nawadwipghat-GC & Krishnanagar-Chartala & new MM for Krishnanagar-Chhapra NL, Naihati-Ranaghat-3rdline & Nabadwipghat-Nabadwipdham with extn to BB	115.06	945.29	328.37

S.No	Project	length (in km)	Latest Cost (□ in cr.)	Exp as on 31.3.2016 (□ in cr.)
3	Sonarpur-Canning (Ph.I) (14.96 km) with new MM for Kalikapur-Minakhan via Gatakpur (38 km) NL	52.96	576	52.73
4	Habra-Bongaon Phase-I (Habra-Chandpara) & Machlandapur-Swarup Nagar	37.25	145.13	77.84
5	Chandpara-Bongaon with extn. to Chandabazar and new MM for Bongaon-Poramaheshtala (20 km) & Chandabazar-Bagdah (13.86 km) NL	55.13	186.89	78.89
6	Pandabeswar-Chinpai (21.41 km) and Ikra-Churulia-Gurundi with new MM bet. Barbani-Churulia (9 km) NL	51.91	293.74	151.17
7	Chinpai-Sainthia & Prantik-Siuri NL (33.98km) MM Chaurigacha-Sainthia via Kandi (56.50Km)	122.09	590.91	112.16
8	Panskura-Kharagpur 3rd line (44.7 km) with new MM for Panskura-Ghatal (32.8 km) NL	77.5	797	340.88
9	Dakshin Barasat-Lakshmikantapur (19.68 km), New Line from Joynagar-Raidighi (20 km) & New MM for Joynagar-Durgapur (32 km)	71.68	259.51	132.84
10	Liluah-Dankuni 3rd line (10.13 km) with extn. to Furfura Sharif	30.13	257.42	91.39
11	Ghutiari Sharif-Canning with extn. upto Bangankhali & new MM for Bangankhali-Basanti (14.3 km) & Basanti-Jharkhali (23 km) NL	56.19	189.97	167.04
12	Magrahat-Diamond Harbour (19.67 km) with new MM for Sangrampur-Krishanchandpur (25 km), Diamond Harbour (Gurdasnagar)-Bahrahat (21 km)- NL & Diamond Harbour(Gurudasnagar)-Kulpi (17.25km)NL	65.67	172.47	158.53
13	Katwa-Patuli (17.7 km) with new MM for Ahmedpur-Katwa (51.92 km) GC	69.62	579.03	467.35
14	Dankuni-Chandanpur- 4th line (25.41 km) as 1st phase of Dankuni-Saktigarh 4th line with new MM for Baruipara-Furfura(12.3Km) NL	37.71	274	28.22
15	Tala-Princep Ghat- DL of Circular Rly.(9.7 km)	9.7	149.95	1
16	Sondalia-Champapukur (23.64 km) with new MM for Bira-Chakla (11.5 km)	35.14	195	102.93
17	Azimganj-Manigram	20.49	124.05	114.24
18	Kalinarayanpur-Shantipur (15.85 km) with new MM for Ranaghat(Aranghata)-Duttapulia (8.17 km) NL	24.02	105	81.37
19	Sealdah Div.- 2nd passenger line bet. Mile 5 B and New Alipore (1.67 km)	1.67	65.09	4.57

S.No	Project	length (in km)	Latest Cost (□ in cr.)	Exp as on 31.3.2016 (□ in cr.)
20	Princepghat to Majherhat doubling of Circular Railway (4.98 km)	4.98	336	0.12
21	Bandel-Boinchi - 3rd line	30.53	361	54.04
22	Plassey-Jiaganj	54.29	312	150.79
23	Sainthia-Tarapith 3rd line	22	212	157.07
24	Boinchi-Shaktigarh 3rd line	25.83	221	21.27
25	Dankuni-Bhattanagar(3.70 km) via CC line- DL with one addl. Loop at Bhattanagar.	3.7	77	15.18
26	Tarapith-Rampurhat-provision of 3rd line(6.52 km)	6.52	80	11.97
27	Ambari Falakata-New Maynaguri (36.52 km)	36.52	453	228.83
28	New Coochbehar-Samuktala Road (29.02 km)	29.02	441	238.31
29	Bazar Sau-Azimganj Jn.	42.15	272	10.5
30	Monigram-Nimtita	34.3	274	15.76
31	Sagardigi-Azimganj Cabin	16.3	98	40.55
32	New Coochbehar-Gumanihat (29.32 km)	29.32	289	45.44
33	Kharagpur-Narayangarh 3rd line	20	168	66.11
34	Andul-Baltikuri	7.25	53	12.8
35	Sagardighi- Malda Town #	19	190	00
36	Byepass at Sainthia, Sitarpur, Mughalsarai, Allahabad, Etawah #	35	400	00
37	Kharagpur-Adityapur 3rd line #	132	1116	50
38	Doubling of line between Mohishila - Kalipahari (Link) with 1 additional loop line at MOH station #	05	42.1	2
39	New Maynaguri-Gumanihat (remaining section)	51.65	556.31	00
40	Narayangarh-Bhadrak 3rd line	155	2037.1	00
41	Damodar-Mohishila	8	70.91	00
	Total	1743	14880	3645
Note: 367 km out of 1743 km Doublings has been commissioned.				
	G. Total	4556	41932	12138

Note: 1782 km out of 4556 km of new line, gauge conversion and doublings has been completed in the State of West Bengal.

S.No	Project	length (in km)	Latest Cost (□ in cr.)	Exp as on 31.3.2016 (□ in cr.)
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT PROJECTS				
1	Baranagar-Noapara & Noapara-NSCB Airport (8.33 km)	8.33	413.65	413.48
2	Remount Rd.-Santoshpur via Garden Reach/Metiabruz (8.8 km)	8.80	268.52	166.88
3	Noapara - Barasat via Bimanbandar - Construction of Metro Railway (18 km)	18.00	3159.59	395.63
4	Baranagar - Barrackpore & Dakshineswar - Construction of Metro Railway (14.50 km)	14.50	2069.60	172.50
5	Dum Dum Airport to New Garia via Rajarhat Const. of Metro Railway	32.00	4259.50	1023.25
6	Joka - Binoy Bandal Dinesh Bagh incl. extn.from Joka-Diamond Park Ph.1 (18.72 km)	18.72	2913.50	534.28
7	East-West Corridor from Howrah Maidan to Salt Lake (Transferred to Rly. in 2012-13)	16.55	9000.00	1228.10
	Total	117	22084	3934
	G. Total	4673	64016	16072
