

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4526  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2017**

**RAIL CONNECTIVITY TO NORTH EAST AND ODISHA**

**4526. DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:**

**DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:**

**SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:**

**SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:**

**SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether some parts of North-East and Odisha are not connected by rail network;**
- (b) if so, whether NITI Aayog has asked Railways to prepare a plan similar to Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and National Highways Development Programme (NHDP) to link districts which are not on rail map;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Railways is in the process of developing project report on the lines of PMGSY and NHDP and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to link all parts of the country under railway network?**

**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.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4526 BY DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT, DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN, SHRI SATAV RAJEEV, SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO AND SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.03.2017 REGARDING RAIL CONNECTIVITY TO NORTH EAST AND ODISHA**

**(a): Yes, Madam. Some parts of North-East and Odisha are not connected by rail network. However, following New Line projects have been included in Budgets 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 falling partly or fully in North-East and Odisha, subject to requisite Government approvals:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Length (km)</b>	<b>Cost (₹ in crore)</b>	<b>Year of inclusion in Budget</b>
	<b><u>NORTH EASTERN REGION</u></b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>Sibsagar-Jorhat</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1296</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Salona-Khumtai</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>5958</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Tezpur-Silghat</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
	<b><u>ODISHA</u></b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>Jeypore-Malkangiri</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>1277</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Jeypore-Nabarangpur</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Extension of Naupada-Gunupur New Line upto Theruvali</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>2017-18</b>

**(b) to (d): NITI Aayog has not asked Railways to prepare a plan similar to Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and National Highways Development Programme (NHDP).**

**(e): Railways is in the process of making National Rail Plan 2030 to expand the railway network based upon representation and requests from various stakeholders such as various Ministries, State Governments, elected representatives, Industries etc. with consideration of operational requirement, bottlenecks, strategic requirements and socio-economic considerations.**