

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5178
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2017**

OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF DMIC

5178. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has received any request from the Government of Gujarat for development of various railway lines for overall development of Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC);**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the current status of (a) doubling of BG rail lines at (1) Bharuch – Samni - Dahej (2) Surendranagar – Botad – Dhasa – Rajula - Pipavav (3) Surendranagar – Virmgam - Mehsana (4) Palanpur – Bhildi – Samkhyali – Gandhidham - Mundra and (b) New Railway lines at (1) Bhavnagar – Adhelai – Dholka – Vataman - Petlad (2) Dholera - Bhimnath; and**
- (d) the steps taken by the Railways to fast track these projects?**

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5178 BY SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2017 REGARDING OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF DMIC

(a) & (b): Ministry of Railways had received request from Government of Gujarat for linking the Dholera Special Investment Region (DSIR) under Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) Project to Bhimnath.

Botad- Bhavnagar Section has already been converted to Broad Gauge and Gauge Conversion of Ahmedabad- Botad has been taken up. Bhimnath-Dholera New Line Project has been taken up by Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor Development Corporation Ltd. (DMICDC) under Non-Government Railway Model to fast track the project.

(c) : The current status of the projects indicated in the question is as under:

S. No.	Name of the project	Status
(a)	Doubling of BG rail lines	
1	Bharuch-Samni-Dahej	Gauge conversion of this section has been completed and commissioned. At present, there is no proposal for doubling of this section.
2	Surendranagar-Botad-Dhasa-Rajula-Pipavav	Survey for this project has not been sanctioned.
3	Surendranagar-Viramgam-Mehsana	(i) Doubling of Viramgam-Surendranagar (65 Km) section has been completed and commissioned in 2015. (ii) Viramgam- Mahesana: No survey for doubling of this section has been taken up.
4	Palanpur-Bhidli-Samkhyali-Gandhidham-Mundra	Palanpur-Bhildi-Samakhiali-Gandhidham-Mundra: On this route, (i) Doubling of Palanpur- Bhildi-Samakhyali has been taken up at an anticipated cost of ₹ 1267 crore by Kutch Railway Company Ltd. An outlay of ₹ 151 crore has been provided for the year 2016-17. Works of Earthwork, bridge work and Road Under Bridges (RUB) have been taken up.

		(ii) Samakhayali- Gandhidham-Adipur-Mundra is already an existing double broad gauge line section.
(b)	New railway lines	
1.	Bhavnagar-Adhelai-Dholka-Vataman-Petlad	Survey for Bhavnagar to Tarapur New Line via Dholera, has been completed. Cost of this line has been assessed as ₹ 745 crore with RoR of (-) 1% and NITI Aayog has not agreed to the proposal.
2.	Dholera-Bhimnath	The work included in the Budget 2016-17 subject to requisite approvals from the Government.

(d): Sanctioned projects have been taken up in right earnest. These have been entrusted to executing agencies and adequate funds have been provided.
