

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.972
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN

†972. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of various rail projects of North Western Railway in Rajasthan and their present status, project-wise;**
- (b) the number of projects which have been delayed due to paucity of funds or any other reasons and the details of escalated cost of each delayed project, project-wise;**
- (c) the steps taken to mobilise adequate funds for these projects along with the targets for their completion;**
- (d) whether sanction for gauge conversion in respect of Suratpura-Hanumangarh, Ratangarh-Sardarshahar, Churu-Sikar-Jaipur, Loharu-Sikar sections has since been given; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the work is likely to be completed on these lines?**

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.972 BY SHRI RAHUL KASWAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2017 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN.

(a) : The details of ongoing new line, gauge conversion and doubling projects of North Western Railway in Rajasthan are as under.

(₹ in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project (km)	Year of inclusion/ sanction	Latest Anticipated Cost	Expenditure by 31.03.2016	Outlay 2016-17	Status
New Line						
1	Ajmer (Nasirabad)-Swai Madhopur (Chauth ka Barwara) via Tonk (165)	2015-16	873.00	0.01	3.00	Final Location Survey has been taken up. Funding issues with State govt. have been taken up.
2	Dausa-Gangapur City (93)	1996-97	656.00	307.00	15.00	Work has been taken up.
3	Ratlam-Dungarpur via Banswara (176)	2011-12	3450.00	383.00	80.00	Earthwork, bridgework, etc. are taken up.
4	Thiyat Hamira-Sanu (59)	2013-14	262.00	11.00	20.00	Work has been taken up.
Gauge Conversion						
5	Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Udaipur inclu.Modasa-Shamlaji Road (322)	2008-09	1662.00	234.00	675.00	Earthwork and bridge work have been taken up
6	Ajmer-	1996-97	865.00	537.00	15.00	Main

	Chittaurgarh-Udaipur incl. Material Modification for extension from Udaipur-Umra with Mavali-Badi Saadri and Nathdwara-New Nathdwara (404)					project completed & commissioned.
7	Jaipur-Ringus-Churu & Sikar-Loharu (320)	2008-09	915.00	454.00	100.00	Sikar-Loharu section has been completed & commissioned. Work on balance section has been taken up.
8	Sadulpur-Bikaner & Ratangarh-Degana with Ratangarh-Sardarshahar as Material Modification (438)	2007-08	886.00	814.00	10.00	Main project completed & commissioned. Work on Ratangarh-Sardarshahar has been taken up.

Doubling						
9	Abu Road-Sarotra Road (23)	2010-11	161.00	137.00	5.00	Work on Maval-Sri Amirgarh-Sarotra Road (14 km) is completed. Work on balance section has been taken up.
10	Ajmer-Bangurgram (48)	2011-12	262.00	22.00	60.00	Earthwork and bridge work has been taken up.
11	Alwar-Bandikui (60)	2013-14	242.00	9.00	70.00	Earthwork, bridgework and ballast supply have been taken up.
12	Bangurgram-Guriya (47)	2012-13	295.00	5.00	42.00	Final Location Survey has been completed.
13	Guriya-Marwar (44) & Karjoda-Palanpur(5)	2011-12	247.00	131.00	156.00	Sojat-Marwar (21 km) has been completed. Work on balance section has been

						taken up.
14	Phulera-Degana (109)	2015-16	600.00	0.0	290.00	Land acquisition process has been taken up.
15	Rani-Keshavganj (60)	2011-12	318.00	187.00	50.00	Work on 52 kms has been completed. Out of this, 21 km section has been commissioned.
16	Rani-Marwar Jn (55)	2012-13	336.00	83.00	105.00	Earthwork & bridgework have been taken up.
17	Swaroopganj- Abu Road (25)	2010-11	165.00	119.00	10.00	Work on Swarupganj-Bhimana (9km) is completed. Work on balance section has been taken up.

(b) & (c) : For New Line and Gauge conversion Railway project requires land acquisition, forestry clearance, utility shifting etc. Process of seeking the approvals/clearances causes delay in completion of the projects. As a result, some of the ongoing projects are running behind schedule and facing cost overruns. In addition, as per the prevailing system, funds are allocated on yearly basis based on the basis of Gross Budgetary Support

from Ministry of Finance. As many factors responsible for completion of a project are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways, it is not feasible to fix time frame for completion of all projects.

However, to expedite railway projects various steps have been taken, which inter-alia include funding through institutional financing, market borrowings & Public Private Partnership, enhancing power of field units for award of contracts including sanction of estimates etc.

(d) & (e): (i) Suratpura-Hamumangarh-Sriganganagar gauge conversion project was included in Railway Budget 2008-09. The whole project has already been completed and commissioned.

(ii) Gauge conversion of Ratangarh-Sardarsahar section was added to Sadulpur-Bikaner & Ratangarh-Degana gauge conversion project which was included in Railway Budget 2007-08 as a material modification. Work on the section has been taken up.

(iii) Jaipur-Sikar-Churu & Sikar-Loharu gauge conversion project was included in Railway Budget 2008-09. Work on Sikar-Loharu section has been completed and section commissioned. Work on Jaipur-Sikar-Churu section has been taken up.
