

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 639  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017**

**NEW LINES/GAUGE CONVERSION/ELECTRIFICATION**

**†639. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:**

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

- (a) whether the Railways has conducted any survey for laying of new rail lines, gauge conversion of old lines and electrification in various States including Uttar Pradesh;**
- (b) if so, the details of the new rail lines to be laid, gauge conversion and the length of rail lines to be electrified in various States including Maharashtra, location-wise;**
- (c) the plan of the Government for laying of new rail lines, gauge conversion and electrification in the current financial year; and**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to construct a dedicated goods corridor and if so, the details thereof ?**

**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.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 639 BY SHRI ARVIND SAWANT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 19.07.2017 REGARDING NEW LINES/GAUGE CONVERSION/ELECTRIFICATION**

**(a) & (b): During the last three years and current year, Railways have conducted 165 nos. for a total length of 19195 km of surveys for new lines, 9 nos. for gauge conversion for a total length of 541 km that includes State of Uttar Pradesh. Details are as under:**

S.No.	Railway Zone	No. of surveys conducted	
		New Line	Gauge Conversion
1	Central	9	0
2	East Coast	12	0
3	East Central	4	0
4	Eastern	0	0
5	North Central	11	0
6	North Eastern	4	1
7	Northeast Frontier	7	0
8	Northern	29	0
9	North Western	16	0
10	South Central	10	0
11	South East Central	25	0
12	South Eastern	2	0
13	Southern	16	0
14	South Western	8	0
15	West Central	2	0
16	Western	10	8
		165	9

**A total of 139 ongoing Railway Electrification projects totaling 28,431 Route Km spread across the country in various States have been taken up that includes State of Maharashtra. A total of 179 ongoing new line projects totaling 20268 Km and 58 ongoing gauge conversion projects totaling 8152 Km have been taken up that includes the State of Maharashtra. Details of these projects are available in Pink Book laid on the Table of the House alongwith Budget Papers.**

**(c): In the current financial year 2017-18, a total of 3500 Km of New Lines including DFC lines, Gauge Conversion, Doubling and 4000 Route Km of Railway Electrification have been planned/targeted.**

**(d): Ministry of Railways have sanctioned implementation of Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFCs), namely, Western DFC (1504 Km) and Eastern DFC (1856 Km). Western DFC starts from Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT), Mumbai and passes through the States of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and terminate at Dadri in Uttar Pradesh. Eastern DFC starts from Sahnewal near Ludhiana in Punjab and passes through the States of Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and terminate at Dankuni in West Bengal.**

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