

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 670
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017**

RAIL PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

**670. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
SHRI D.K. SURESH:
SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of pending railway projects in the State of Karnataka;**
- (b) whether a number of railway projects have not seen the light of the day even after two decades and more;**
- (c) if so, the details of the long pending projects including the new railway line between Bangalore and Chamaraj Nagar via Kanakapura and Kollegal;**
- (d) whether the Government has taken steps to speed up the works of all pending railway lines to complete them at the earliest;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the estimated cost and the amount spent so far on each of the railway projects till date?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 670 BY SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL, SHRI D.K. SURESH AND SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 19.07.2017 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

(a) and (f): Details of ongoing new line, gauge conversion and doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka including estimated cost and expenditure incurred thereon are as under:-

(₹ in Crore)

S. No.	Project	Latest Estimated cost	Expenditure upto March, 2017	Outlay 2017-18
	NEW LINE			
1.	Kadur-Chickmagalur-Sakleshpur (93 Km)	889.52	421	70
2.	Bangalore-Chamarajanagar-Satyamangalam (260 Km)	1524	5.47	21
3.	Gulbarga-Bidar (140 Km)	1542.42	1001	100
4.	Munirabad-Mahboobnagar (246 Km)	2641	1232	300
5.	Hubli-Ankola (167 Km)	2315	121.14	5
6.	Rayadurg-Tumkur (213 Km)	2000	577	182
7.	Cuddapah-Bangalore (Bangarpet) (255.40 Km)	2061	339.51	240
8.	Bagalkot-Kudachi (142 Km)	986.3	256.06	90
9.	Shimoga-Harihar(79 Km)	832	6.52	10.50
10.	Whitefield-Kolar (52.9 Km)	375	1.33	10.50
11.	Marikuppam-Kuppam (24 Km)	313	1.51	15
12.	Tumkur-Chitradurg-Davangere(199.7 Km)	2193	2.7	130
13.	Gadag-Wadi (252 Km)	1922	1.64	190
14.	Chikballapur-Gowribidanur (44 Km)#	367.77	...	0.10

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15.	Chikballapur-Puttaparthysri Satya Sai Nilayam (103 Km)#	692.43	...	0.10
16.	Srinivasapura-Madanapalli (75 Km)#	466.65	...	0.10
17.	Gadag-Yalvigi(58 Km)#	640	...	1
	GAUGE CONVERSION			
1.	Mysore-Chamarajanagar (Ph-1) with extension to Mettupalayam (148 Km)	608	201.98	0.50
	DOUBLING			
1.	Bangalore Whitefield-Bangalore City-Krishnarajapuram(23 Km)	85	0.05	1
2.	Kankanadi-Panambur (19 Km)	238.04	117.82	92.80
3.	Daund-Gulbarga (224.90 Km) and Pune-Guntakal electrification (641.37 Km)	1513	707.02	200
4.	Hospet-Hubli-Londa-Tinaighat-Vasco-da-Gama (352 Km)	2127	734.99	250
5.	Tornagallu-Ranjitpura (23 Km)	165	0.32	0.10
6.	Hotgi-Kudgi-Gadag (284 Km)	1618	327.46	344
7.	Renigunta (9.6 Km), Gooty(7.6 Km) & Wadi(3.8 Km) bypass	300	5	10
8.	Pune-Miraj-Londa (467 Km)	3627.47	179.98	280
9.	Yelahanka-Penukonda (121 Km)	958	205.92	120
10.	Hubli-Chikjajur (190 Km)	1140.94	341.45	200
11.	Arsikere-Tumkur (96 Km)	578	212.15	140
12.	Birur-Shimoga (60 Km)#	382.66	0.02	2
13	Netravati-Mangalore Central (1.5 Km)	28.03	0.01	5

These projects had been included in the Budget during 2013-14, 2016-17 and 2017-18 subject to requisite approvals of the Government. Expenditure on these projects would be incurred only after the requisite approvals are obtained.

(b) and (c): Hubli-Ankola new line(167 Km), extension of rail line from Chamarajanagar to Mettupalayam (88 Km), part of Mysore-Chamrajanagar gauge conversion project and Bangalore Whitefield-Bangalore City-Krishnarajapuram quadrupling (23 Km) projects could not be taken forward for want of forestry clearances and related issues.

Work on Bangalore-Chamarajanagar via Kanakapura and Kollegal new line is a part of Bangalore-Satyamangalam new line project (260 Km). On this project, work on (Bangalore)Hejjala-Chamarajanagar section (142 Km) via Kanakapura and Kollegal only has been taken up. In this regard, land acquisition papers have been submitted to the State Government. Work beyond Chamarajanagar is frozen for want of forestry clearance.

(d) and (e): To expedite completion of projects, a number of initiatives have been taken to speed up the works like increased allocation of funds through measures like funding by State Governments and other beneficiaries, funding through loan from Institutions like Life Insurance Corporation, execution of projects through Special Purpose Vehicles, etc. Besides these, to reduce delays on account of land acquisition, security issues and forestry clearances etc, meetings with State Officials at various levels are held from time to time. Field units have also been empowered with further delegation of powers and the contract conditions have been modified to bring efficiency in contract management.