

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 471
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2018**

DOUBLING OF RAILWAY TRACKS

***471. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken up the issue of doubling of railway track between Rajkot and Surendranagar and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether this project is progressing as per time schedule;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the funds allocated and utilized for the said project and if not, the reasons therefor along with the time and cost overrun;**
- (d) the effective measures taken by the Railways to expedite the completion of the project without further delay; and**
- (e) whether the doubling of track is inclusive of electrification, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 471 BY SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI
KALYANJI BHAI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.03.2018
REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAILWAY TRACKS**

**(a) & (b): Doubling of Rajkot- Surendranagar section (116.17 Km)
was included in the Budget 2015-16 and the detailed estimate has
been sanctioned in June, 2016 at a cost of ₹ 1002.39 crore.**

The status of the project is as under:

**(i) Surendranagar-Daladi section (62.28 km): All tenders for civil
works and P. Way works have been awarded. Earth work, bridge
works, construction of station buildings, S&T work, etc are in
different stages of execution.**

**(ii) Daladi-Rajkot section (53.89 km.): Tenders for earthwork,
major & minor bridges, station building and structures have been
finalized in March, 2018.**

**The doubling of Rajkot- Surendranagar section (116.17 km) is
planned to be commissioned in phases and complete project of
doubling is targeted to be commissioned by March, 2021.**

**(c): During 2017-18, funds to the tune of ₹ 94.50 crore has been
allotted for the project to be utilized.**

(d): To expedite completion of project, a number of initiatives have been taken to speed up the works like increased allocation of funds through measures like funding through loan from Institutions like Life Insurance Corporation, etc. Besides these, to reduce delays on account of land acquisition, meetings with State Officials at various levels are held from time to time.

(e): Yes, Madam. Rajkot-Surendranagar doubling project has been sanctioned along with electrification and will be completed along with the doubling.
