

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2477
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

LALITPUR-SINGRAULI RAIL LINE

† 2477. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has accorded approval regarding Lalitpur-Singrauli rail line project to fulfill the demand of increasing population of the area;**
- (b) if so, the details of proposed expenditure, the length of rail line and the names of stations and halts;**
- (c) whether it is a fact that the work on the said rail project is not completed and construction works are going on with slow pace; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which remaining works are likely to be completed?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Lalitpur-Singrauli new rail line project (541km) was sanctioned in 1997-98. The anticipated cost of the project is ₹6672.85crore. An expenditure of ₹1740 crore has been incurred upto March, 2018. There are 17 stations/halt stations namely Lalitpur, Udaipura, Tikamgarh, Mawai, Khargapur, Ishanagar, Chhaterpur,

Khajuraho, Subdua, Panna, Nagod, Satna, Rewa, Govindgarh, Sidhi, Gajrahi and Gondawali Singrauli.

Lalitpur-Khajuraho (167km) and Mahoba-Kahjuraho (62.50km) sections have been commissioned. Land acquisition has been taken up in the remaining sections and work taken up in the available land. Till 2013-14, due to overall limited availability of funds, this project was not progressing satisfactorily. Since 2014-15, adequate funds have been allotted to the project and execution of the project has been speeded up (₹239 crore was provided for the project during 2010-11 to 2013-14. Now, ₹1234 crore has been provided for this project from 2014-15 to 2017-18).

(d): Completion of the project is dependent upon many factors such as land acquisition, statutory clearances like forestry and wild life clearances, shifting of services, cutting of trees, construction of road over bridges and road under bridges by road maintaining agencies. Since many of these factors are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways, timeline for completion of the project is not feasible to be fixed.
