

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2495
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

NEW PROJECTS

2495. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of new projects like new railway line and expansion of railway track have been pending due to inadequate fund and land acquisition across the country including the state of Haryana;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of new railway lines struck due to land acquisition and adequate funds, State-wise till now; and**
- (c) the steps proposed by the Government to clear those projects within the stipulated time period?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): At present, 183 New Lines Projects are in different stages of planning/ sanction/ approval execution across the country. This includes 07 New Lines projects in Haryana. The completion of Railway projects requires coordination with various departments for acquisition of land, statutory clearances, shifting of utilities etc.

leading to delay and cost overrun. As a result, the period of execution of various projects gets prolonged. Moreover, funds to each project are allocated every year depending on the total budget outlay, progress made in each project and relative priority. Acquisition of land and laying of new lines thereon is a continuous process by Zonal Railways and other executing agencies. No centralised compendium of land acquisition is maintained by Ministry of Railways. However, Railway is holding regular meetings with stake holders on various issues for timely completion of the projects.
