

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 442  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018**

**TRACK RENEWAL**

**442. DR. KIRIT P. SOLANKI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to carry out a track renewal exercise;**
- (b) if so, the criteria being used to identify stretches of tracks that have completed their lifespan or carry heavy traffic;**
- (c) the total kilometres of track expected to be covered under the track renewal exercise, State/UT-wise; and**
- (d) the total cost expected to be associated with the track renewal exercise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a) & (b) Track renewal works are planned for sanction and execution in advance every year to ensure safety of running of trains. The criteria for identifying and sanction of track renewal works is laid down in Indian Railway Permanent Way Manual which is age/condition basis viz. traffic carried in terms of gross million tonnes, incidence of rail fracture/failure, wear of rails, corrosion of rails, maintainability of track as per standards etc.**

**(c) & (d) Details of track renewal are maintained Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise. A target of 4400 km over Indian Railways in Complete Track Renewal (CTR) units for track renewal with budget outlay of ₹ 11450 Cr. has been kept for year 2018-19.**

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