

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 623
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2019**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN BIHAR

†623. SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of ongoing railway projects in Bihar at present, project and zone-wise, details thereof;**
- (b) the number of projects out of these, which are running behind their schedule, project-wise, details thereof;**
- (c) the extent to which the cost of the projects has escalated due to their running behind schedule, project-wise, details thereof; and**
- (d) the steps taken to complete the said projects as per the schedule?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 623 BY SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.02.2019 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN BIHAR

(a) : At present, 34 New Lines, 14 Doubling and 5 Gauge conversion projects falling fully/partly in the State of Bihar under four different Railway Zones i.e. (i) East Central Railway (ECR), (ii) Eastern Railway (ER), (iii) North Eastern Railway (NER) and (iv) Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) are in different stages of Planning/Sanction/Execution. Details of these Railway projects are as under:-

(₹ in crore)

S. No	Project	Zone	Latest Anticipated cost	Exp. Upto Mar'18	Outlay 2018-19
New Lines					
1	Ara-Bhabua Road (147 km)	ECR	2397	0.41	0.1
2	Araria-Supaul (95 km)	ECR	1605	0.29	2.0
3	Bihta-Aurangabad via Anugrahanarayan Road(118km)	ECR	2995	2.0	2.0
4	Chhapra-Muzzafarpur (85km)	ECR	2614	328	0.1
5	Darbhanga-Kusheshwarasthan (70km)	ECR	367	5	0.1
6	Dehri on Sone-Banjari (35 km)	ECR	836	22	0.1
7	Fatuha-Islampur incl. MM for extension of NL from Daniawan to Biharsharif, Biharsharif to Barbiga, Barbiga to Shekhpura (172 km)	ECR	670	640	50.0
8	Gaya-Bodhgaya-Chatra, Gaya-Natesar (Nalanda) (135 km)	ECR	4543	15	0.1
9	Gaya-Daltonganj via Rafiganj (137 km)	ECR	2860	1.0	0.1
10	Hajipur-Sagauli via Vaishali (150 km)	ECR	1883	1258	100.0
11	Khagaria-Kusheshwarasthan (44 km)	ECR	571	232	15.0
12	Koderma-Tilaiya (65 km)	ECR	563	364	75.0
13	Kosi Bridge (22 km)	ECR	620	350	75.0
14	Kursela-Bihariganj (35 km)	ECR	194	0.40	0.0
15	Motihari-Sitamarhi (77 km)	ECR	1006	24	1.0

16	Muzaffarpur-Darbhangha (67 km)	ECR	870	0.60	0.1
17	Muzaffarpur-Katra-Orai-Janakpur Road (66 km)	ECR	865	11.50	0.1
18	Nawada-Laxmipur (137 km)	ECR	2629	0.01	0.1
19	Rajgir-Hisua-Tilaiya (46 km) & Natesar-Islampur (21 km)	ECR	528	442	20.0
20	Sakri-Hasanpur (79 km)	ECR	718	317	25.0
21	Vikramshila - Katareah (Pirpainthi-Naugachia) (18 km)	ECR	2173	0.01	10.0
22	Wazirganj-Jethian (20 Km)	ECR	452	0.01	0.1
23	Sitamarhi-Jayanagar-Nirmali via Susand(188 km)	ECR	2393	17.2	0.1
24	Rampurhat-Mandarhill via Dumka (130 km) with new MM for Rampurhat-Murarai (29 km)- 3rd line	ER	1126	1096	65.0
25	Bariarpur-Mananpur via Kharagpur, Lachmipur-Barhat (68 km)	ER	251	19	0.1
26	Deoghar-Sultanganj including Banka-Barahat and Banka-Bhitiah Road (153km)	ER	1425	632	0.1
27	Sultanganj-Katuria via Asarganj, Tarapur & Belhar) (75 km)	ER	1261	9	0.1
28	Pirpainti-Jasidih (97 km)	ER	2079	272.62	425.0
29	Maharajganj-Masrakh (36 km) with MM for New Line between Masrakh-Rewaghat (30 km)	NER	412	332	15.0
30	Paniyahwa-Chhitauni-Tumkuhi Road (62.50 km)	NER	270	94	1.0
31	Hathua-Bhatni (80 km)	NER	719	251	5.0
32	Jalalgarh-Kishanganj (50 km)	NFR	1300	2	5.0
33	Jogbani-Biratnagar(Nepal) (18 km)	NFR	560	260	50.0
34	Araria-Galgalia (Thakurganj) (100km)	NFR	2135	918	1.0
Doublings					
1	Katreah-Kursela patch Doubling incl.bridge on river Kosi (7 km)	ECR	99	75.5	45
2	Hajipur-Ramdayalu (48 km)	ECR	367	283	50
3	Patratu-Sonnagar 3rd line (291 km)	ECR	3406	60	250

4	Hajipur-Bachwara (72 km)	ECR	679	176	260
5	Samastipur-Darbhanga (38 km)	ECR	491	58	50
6	Kiul-Gaya (124 km)	ECR	1200	328	180
7	Rampur Dumra-Tal-Rajendrapul-Addl bridge and doubling (14 km)	ECR	1491	228	210
8	Karota Patner - Mankatha - Surface triangle line (10 km)	ECR	129	10	30
9	Sagauli - Valmikinagar (109.7 km)	ECR	1215	1	30
10	Gaya - Bypass line for Manpur (2 km)	ECR	30	5	1
11	Muzaffarpur - Sagauli (100.6 km)	ECR	1186	2	40
12	Darbhanga bypass line connecting Shisho Halt and Kakarghati excluding Darbhanga Yard	ECR	130.50	0	0.1
13	Pirpainti-Bhagalpur (59 km)	ER	332	262	41
14	Chhapra-Ballia Patch Doubling (65 km)	NER	477.31	178.35	100
Gauge Conversions					
1	Jaynagar-Bijalpura, incl. extn. between, Bijalpura-Bardibas (Nepal)(69km)	ECR	548	347	200
2	Jaynagar-Darbhanga-Narkatiaganj (282 km)	ECR	1044	922	10
3	Mansi-Saharsa, incl.Saharsa-Dauram Madhepura-Purnia (171 km)	ECR	749	614	210
4	Sakri-Laukaha Bazar-Nirmali & Saharsa-Forbesganj(204 km)	ECR	1169	372	400
5	Katihar-Jogbani with ext.upto Radhikapur, Katihar-Teinarayanpur & new MM for Raiganj-Dalkhola (280 km)	NFR	1600	914	5

(b) to (d): Railway project requires land acquisition and a number of clearances/permissions from various Ministries and Departments of State/Central Governments. These, inter-alia, include forestry clearance and permission for crossing from departments like, Public Works Department, Irrigation canals, local bodies for projects passing through urban areas, etc which are part of project execution. Process of land acquisition & seeking the approvals/clearances causes delay. As a result, projects face cost and time overruns.

To expedite completion of projects, Railways have arranged additional funds by way of loan from LIC for funding throughput enhancement projects and regular coordination meetings are held with Ministries/Departments/State Government Authorities to expedite above-mentioned clearances. Other measures taken to expedite completion are prioritization of projects, delegation of powers at field level, inviting the State Governments to participate with Railways for resource mobilization for projects, etc.
