

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4008  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

**NEW TRAINS TO AMRITSAR**

**4008. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government plans to introduce new trains to Amritsar from other parts of the country keeping in view Guru Nanak Dev 550 Parkash Purb in 2019 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether there is any plan to run special trains from Amritsar to Dera Baba Nanakpura, If so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the new tracks in kilometers that have been laid by the Northern Railway during the last one year and the new tracks in kilometers that are going to be laid in 2019 along with the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4008 BY SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 17.07.2019 REGARDING NEW TRAINS TO AMRITSAR**

**(a) and (b) In order to facilitate pilgrims and tourists visiting 550<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Shri Guru Nanak Devji, Indian Railways have decided to convert 12037/12038 New Delhi –Ludhiana Shatabadi Express into an Intercity Express and extend it upto Lohian Khas via Sultanpur Lodhi Station on three days, a week, but at present, there is no proposal to introduce new train services to Amritsar from other parts of the country and to operate special trains from Amritsar to Dera Baba Nanakpura station.**

**However, to cater to the extra rush of passengers, Indian Railways do operate special trains to supplement and augment the availability of accommodation to the travelling passengers.**

**(c) 59.5 Kms. of New tracks have been laid by Northern Railway during the last one year i.e. Financial Year 2018-19 as per details given below:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>New Lines / Doubling</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Name of Section to be commissioned</b>	<b>Length In Km.</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>New Line</b>	<b>Nangaldam-Talwara (84 km) &amp; taking over siding Mukerian-Talwara (29 km)</b>	<b>Amb Andaura-Daulatpur chowk</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Doubling</b>	<b>Lohta-Bhadohi</b>	<b>Sewapuri-Parsipur</b>	<b>14</b>
	<b>Doubling</b>		<b>Parsipur-Bhadohi</b>	<b>8.5</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Doubling</b>	<b>Bhadohi-Janghai</b>	<b>Suriawan-Janghai</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Doubling</b>	<b>Varanasi City-Varanasi Cantt-Mundauidih</b>	<b>Varanasi City-Varanasi Cantt</b>	<b>1.8</b>
	<b>Doubling</b>		<b>Varanasi Cantt-Manduadih</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Doubling</b>	<b>Mansa-Bhatinda</b>	<b>Cabin C-Bhatinda</b>	<b>2</b>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>59.5</b>

**The details of all works in progress and new works, allotment of funds and expenditure are available in Pink Book 2019-20, which is made available in public domain on Indian Railways website i.e. [www.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.indianrailways.gov.in)> Ministry of Railways > Railway Board >About Indian Railways > Railway Board Directorates > Finance (Budget) >.**

**The timely completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities (both underground and over ground), statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic considerations, encountering unforeseen conditions like earthquake, flooding, excessive rains, strikes of labour, orders of Hon'ble Courts, situation and conditions of working agencies/contractors etc. and all these factors affects the completion time and cost of the project, which is finally worked out at the completion stage. As such, no confirmed time frame can be fixed for completion of project at this stage.**

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