

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.756
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.06.2019**

ELECTRIFICATION OF RAIL ROUTES

**756. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:
SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has a proposal for 100% electrification of the rail routes by 2021;**
- (b) if so, the current status thereof, zone-wise specially south central railway zone and the criteria prescribed for selection of rail routes for the purpose of electrification;**
- (c) whether requests for electrification of rail routes have been received from various State Governments including Kerala during the last three years, State-wise;**
- (d) if so, the action taken by Railways thereon; and**
- (e) the reasons for new infrastructure for production of diesel locomotives is being built incurring a huge liability of thousands of crores of rupees despite the above decision?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.756 BY SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE AND SHRIMATI RAMYA HARIDAS TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.06.2019 REGARDING ELECTRIFICATION OF RAIL ROUTES

(a) &(b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Railways has planned to electrify balance Broad Gauge routes of Indian Railways by 2021-22, keeping in view the advantages of electrification and to achieve seamless operation on electric traction over entire Broad Gauge network. Zone-wise, Action Plan to electrify balance Broad Gauge routes including South Central Railway is as under:-

S. No.	Zonal Railway	Route Kilometers planned for electrification
1	Central	1,073
2	Eastern	622
3	East Central	821
4	East Coast	447
5	Northern	2,779
6	North Central	866
7	North Eastern	2,340
8	Northeast Frontier	3,852
9	North Western	4,241
10	Southern	1,471
11	South Central	2,542
12	South Eastern	296
13	South East Central	535
14	South Western	2,702
15	Western	2,633
16	West Central	850
17	Konkan Railway	740
	TOTAL	28810

(c) & (d) Receipt of proposals for electrification of Railway lines from various States, including State of Kerala, is a continuous process. Ministry of Railways has planned to electrify balance Broad Gauge routes of Indian Railways encompassing all the States, including the State of Kerala. Balance route electrification work have already been sanctioned.

(e) No new infrastructure for production of Diesel Locomotives has been proposed by Railways after the decision of 100% electrification in September, 2018. Diesel locomotives that will be manufactured at Diesel Locomotive Factory Marhowra shall be required by Indian Railways for strategic, emergency and certain operational reasons.
