

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1243
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022**

RAILWAY LINE THROUGH BENGALURU

1243. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken up the survey of any new line passing through Bengaluru or around that region in the last ten years, if so, the details thereof and the status of the projects;**
- (b) the status of the survey that was undertaken for the Anekal-Bidadi line and the reasons for the non-implementation of the same;**
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to undertake a new survey to connect the two points and ease the burden on Bengaluru; and**
- (d) the expected timeline for completion of the same?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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. 1243 BY SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.12.2022 REGARDING RAILWAY LINE THROUGH BENGALURU

(a) to (d): Railway projects are sanctioned and taken up Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/city-wise as the Indian Railways' project(s) span across various State boundaries/district boundaries/cities. As on 01.04.2022, 32 projects (21 new lines and 11 doubling) of total length 4,330 Km, costing ₹49,087 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka are in different stages of planning/sanctioning/execution, out of which 1,305 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹16,258 crore has been incurred upto March, 2022. However, specifically for Bangaluru and nearby region, one survey of new line project between Bettahalsoor-Rajanukunte (15 Km) has been sanctioned in last 10 years. Further, consideration of the project is possible once Detailed Project Report (DPR) is prepared and result thereon including traffic requirement is firmed up.

The completion of survey work(s) depends on various factors like geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project(s) site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions etc. All efforts are made to complete the survey of the projects within the prescribed limit.

Survey of Anekal Road-Bidadi new line project (48 Km) has been completed in 2011-12. As per the survey report, the project could not be taken forward due to low traffic potential.
