

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 171  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2022**

**ONGOING/PENDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA**

**171. SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:  
SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has released funds for the completion of railway projects that have been undertaken/ongoing and are pending in the State of Karnataka;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has come across an issue of inordinate delay in releasing of funds by the State of Karnataka for the ongoing railway projects;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the timely completion of these projects?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 171 BY SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI AND SHRI G. M. SIDDESHWAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.12.2022 REGARDING ONGOING/PENDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA**

**(a) & (b): Funds are allocated Project-wise and not State-wise as the Indian Railways' project(s) span across various State boundaries. However, for financial year 2022-23, the highest ever budget outlay of ₹6,091 crore has been provided for infrastructure and safety works falling fully/partly in Karnataka, which is 629% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14 (₹835 Cr./Yr.).**

**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. These include:-**

- 21 new line projects of total length 2,583 Km, costing ₹32,900 crore, out of which 319 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹5,162 crore has been incurred upto March, 2022.**
- 11 doubling projects of total length 1,747 Km, costing ₹16,187 crore, out of which 986 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹11,096 crore has been incurred upto March, 2022.**

**Railway infrastructure project in Karnataka are covered by South Western Railway (SWR), Central Railway (CR), Southern Railway (SR) and South Central Railway (SCR) Railway. Zone-wise details of all Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are 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) > Rail Budget/Pink Book (Year) > Railway wise Works Machinery and Rolling Stock Programme.**

**Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation for New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling Projects and commensurate commissioning of Projects in Indian Railways. The Average Annual Budget allocation for these works during 2014-19 increased to ₹2,702 crore per year from ₹835 crore per year during 2009 - 14 (224% more than average annual budget allocation during 2009-14). The Annual Budget allocation increased to ₹3,386 crore in Financial Year 2019-20 (306% more than average annual budget allocation during 2009-14), ₹4,220 crore in Financial Year 2020-21 (405% more than the Average Annual Budget allocation during 2009-14) and ₹4,297 crore for Financial year 2021-22(415% more than average annual budget allocation during 2009-14). For Financial Year 2022-23, highest-ever budget outlay of ₹6,091 crore has been provided for these works, which is 629% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14.**

**(c) to (e): As on 01.04.2022, total 14 projects (12 new line and 02 doubling) of total length 1674 Km, costing ₹18,811 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka on cost sharing basis with Government of Karnataka are under different stages of planning/approval/execution, out of which 298 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹4,711 crore has been incurred upto March, 2022.**

**Railway is regularly following up with Government of Karnataka for deposition of their due cost sharing amounts for these cost sharing projects.**

**The completion of any Railway project(s) depends on various factors like deposition of cost share by cost sharing authority in cost sharing project(s), quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, 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 these factors affect the completion time of the project(s). With above constraints, every effort is being made to execute the project(s) expeditiously.**

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