

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2527
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023**

ALLOCATION OF BUDGET FOR NEW RAILWAY LINES

**2527. SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated Rs. 2.40 lakh crore for the Railways in Union Budget 2023-24;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Budget has allocated funds to implement new railway lines/projects in 2023-24;**
- (d) if so, the details of projects and funds so allocated, Zone-wise;**
- (e) whether the Government has made provision in the Budget for introduction of new trains/services/amenities including hydrogen trains; and**
- (f) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2527 BY SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO AND DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.03.2023 REGARDING ALLOCATION OF BUDGET FOR NEW RAILWAY LINES

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. Ministry of Railways have been allocated ₹ 2,40,000 crore as Gross Budget Support (GBS) for Capital Expenditure during 2023-24. It comprises ₹ 1,85,000 crore under Capital, ₹ 45,000 crore under Railway Safety Fund and ₹ 10,000 crore as contribution towards Rashtriya Rail Sanraksha Kosh.

(c) & (d): Yes Sir. A total of ₹ 31,850 crore out of Gross Budgetary Support has been allocated to the Planhead “New Lines” for 2023-24. The Zone Wise fund allocation to New Lines for 2023-24 is as under:

(₹ in crores)

Railways	Gross Budgetary Support 2023-24 for New Line Projects
Central	1234.95
Eastern	432.95
Northern	11617.30
North Eastern	792.00
Northeast Frontier	6591.00
Southern	1158.15
South Central	819.50
South Eastern	14.90
Western	1011.70
East Central	1518.02
East Coast	1984.00
North Central	2.13
North Western	861.65
South East Central	389.00
South Western	1408.35
West Central	2014.40
Total	31850.00

(e) & (f): Introduction of new trains / train services is a part of regular day to day operations of the Railways. A provision of ₹ 13,150 crore out of

Gross Budgetary Support has been made for the Planhead “Customer Amenties” for 2023-24. Development of 35 hydrogen fuel cell based trains for various heritage/hill routes has been included in Budget 2023-24 at a cost of ₹ 2800 crore. Further, setting up of Hydrogen Infrastructure for heritage routes has also been included at a cost of ₹ 600 crores.

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