

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3466
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2023**

HIGH SPEED BULLET TRAIN PROJECT IN MAHARASHTRA

**3466. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:
SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the country's first high-speed or bullet train project appears back on track after facing land acquisition hurdles in Maharashtra after more than three years;**
- (b) if so, the details of the land acquired till now and the physical possession taken by the Government till the end of Feb. 2023;**
- (c) whether it is true that 21 km out of a total of 508.17 km of rail track is planned to be underground while the rest will be elevated; and**
- (d) if so, the details of the work completed/ awarded for construction till Feb. 2023?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. So far, 1381.1 Ha (99.17%) land has been acquired out of total required 1392.6 Ha land for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail (MAHSR) Project. The State-wise details of land acquired and its physical position is as under:-

- (i) Gujarat- 943.85 Ha (98.90%) land out of 954.3 Ha land has been acquired. Physical possession of 943.85 Ha. has so far been taken.**
- (ii) Dadra and Nagar Haveli UT- 7.90 Ha (100%) land out of 7.90 Ha has been acquired. Physical possession of 7.90 Ha land has so far been taken.**

(iii) Maharashtra- 429.38 Ha (99.75%) land out of 430.45 Ha has been acquired. Physical possession of 337.09 Ha. (78.3%) has so far been taken.

(c): There are total 8 number of tunnels of 25.87 km of length in the entire corridor of 508.17 km including the Thane Creek tunnel of 21 km.

(d): The entire project work has been divided into 28 Contract Packages. At present, 19 packages have been awarded, 03 are under evaluation and Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) has been published for 3 packages and for balance 3 packages, NIT is yet to be published. All Civil Contract Packages have been awarded in Gujarat and Dadra and Nagar Haveli and work of all bridges, tunnel etc., is in full swing. Till February, 2023, Physical Progress of 32.93% in Gujarat and 13.72% in Maharashtra has been achieved. Out of total 352 km elevated viaduct, approx. 263.1 km of piling, 187.1 km of foundation, 180.5 km of the pier, 61.4 km Girder Casting and 39.2 km Girder Erection have been completed.
