

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3356
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023**

NEW SUPERFAST RAILWAY LINE SURVEY

3356. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has embarked on new Superfast Railway Line Survey Programme in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the railway lines identified for survey under this programme in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and**
- (d) the funds allocated and is being released under this scheme?**

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. 3356 BY SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2023 REGARDING NEW SUPERFAST RAILWAY LINE SURVEY

(a) to (d): The Railway projects are surveyed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise as the Railways' projects may span across state boundaries. There is no such scheme as "Superfast Railway Line Survey Programme" presently under Ministry of Railways. Moreover, Railway Infrastructure Projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon liabilities of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands which is a continuous and ongoing process.

During the last three years i.e. FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22, FY 2022-23 and current FY 2023-24, 626 Surveys (209 New Line, 11 Gauge Conversion and 406 Doubling) of a total length of 39,911 km has been sanctioned in the country, out of which 43 Surveys (7 New Line and 36 Doubling) of a total length of 4,011 km has been sanctioned which fall fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the said period.

Railway infrastructural Projects in the State of Andhra Pradesh are covered by East Coast Railway (ECoR), Southern Railway (SR) and South Central Railway (SCR) and South Western Railway (SWR) Zone of Indian Railways.

Zone-wise details of all Railway Surveys including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website i.e. www.indianrailways.gov.in >Ministry of Railways>Railway Board >About Indian Railways >Railway Board Directorates >Finance (Budget) >Budget Document (Financial Year)/ Railway wise breakup of the Detailed Demands for Grants Financial Year (Part II) Demand No.85.