

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 758  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024**

**DAHOD-INDORE RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**†758. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:**

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

- (a) the current status and progress of the ambitious 204 kilometres Dahod-Indore Railway line project of Malwa region;**
- (b) the target fixed for completion of the said project and the time by which the said project is likely to be completed in the current situation; and**
- (c) the amount of funds allocated and expenditure incurred upon the said project till date?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 758 BY SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2024 REGARDING DAHOD-INDORE RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**(a) to (c): Railway has taken up the construction of Dahod-Indore (205 km) new line project. An expenditure of ₹1424 crore has been incurred on this project so far and an outlay of ₹440 crore has been provided for this project for the financial year 2023-24.**

**Indore-Tihi (21 km) and Dahod-Katwara (9 km) sections have been commissioned so far. Work has been taken up in remaining section.**

**Further, as on 01.04.2023, total 36 Railway Infrastructure Projects (6 New Line, 18 Gauge Conversion and 12 Doubling), of total length of 3,200 km, costing ₹30,789 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat are in planning/approval/construction stages, out of which 735 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹6,113 crore has been incurred upto March 2023. These include:**

**(i) 6 New Line projects of total length of 520 km costing ₹6,950 crore, out of which 90 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹2,227 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**

**(ii) 18 Gauge Conversion projects of total length of 1,567 km costing ₹12,336 crore, out of which 645 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹3,527 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**

**(iii) 12 Doubling projects of total length of 1,113 km costing ₹11,502 crore, out of which an expenditure of ₹360 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**

**New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat are covered by Western Railway and North Western Railway Zones of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of all Railway Projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects across Indian Railways. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Budget Outlay</b>	<b>Change w.r.t. average annual allocation of 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>₹589 crore/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>₹8,332 crore</b>	<b>14.14 times</b>

**Commissioning of infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Average Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Change w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>660 km</b>	<b>132 km/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2014-23</b>	<b>1,677 km</b>	<b>186 km/year</b>	<b>1.41 times</b>

**Similarly, as on 01.04.2023, 32 Railway Infrastructure Projects (08 New Lines, 02 Gauge Conversion and 22 Doubling), of total length of 5,539 km costing ₹77,798 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are in planning/approval/construction stages, out of which 1,557 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹31,111 crore has been incurred upto March 2023. These include:**

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- (i) **08 New Line Projects of total length of 1,979 km costing ₹32,226 crore, out of which 400 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹8,611 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**
  
- (ii) **02 Gauge Conversion Projects of total length of 780 km costing ₹9,297 crore, out of which 283 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹4,040 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**
  
- (iii) **22 Doubling Projects of total length of 2,780 km costing ₹36,275 crore, out of which 874 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹18,460 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.**

**New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are covered by North Central Railway, West Central Railway, East Central Railway, Western Railway, Central Railway, South Central Railway and South East Central Railway Zones of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of all Railway Projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects across Indian Railways. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Budget Outlay</b>	<b>Change w.r.t. average annual allocation of 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>₹632 crore/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>₹13,607 crore</b>	<b>21.53 times</b>

**Commissioning of infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Average Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Change w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>145 km</b>	<b>29 km/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2014-23</b>	<b>1,741km</b>	<b>193.44 km/year</b>	<b>6.67 times</b>

**Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors like 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.**

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