

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.804
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024**

ONGOING/PENDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAMTEK-NAGPUR

† 804. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of railway stations covering Ramtek-Nagpur Lok Sabha Constituency;**
- (b) the steps taken by the Government for beautification of the said railway stations during the last three years;**
- (c) the details of planned, ongoing and pending railway projects/works in Ramtek-Nagpur Lok Sabha Constituency;**
- (d) whether the Government has any scheme for developing the said railway stations with the state-of-the art infrastructure;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) whether the Government has any scheme for developing rail network connectivity and railway services in Ramtek-Nagpur Lok Sabha Constituency?**

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. 804 BY SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2024 REGARDING ONGOING/PENDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAMTEK-NAGPUR.

(a) to (f) : The details of Railway stations are maintained zone-wise not constituency-wise. Ramtek-Nagpur Lok Sabha Constituency falls under the jurisdiction of Central Railway and South East Central Railway. Upgradation/modernization/beautification of stations on Indian Railways is a continuous and on-going process and works in this regard are undertaken as per requirement, subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme has been launched for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach to improve the amenities like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, lift/escalators as necessary, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information system, Executive Lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station. Under the Scheme, 1318 stations including 94 stations in Central Railway and 49 stations in South East Central Railway have been identified for upgradation/modernisation over Indian Railways.

Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not Parliamentary Constituency wise/State-wise as Railway projects may span across various Parliamentary constituencies.

As on 01.04.2023, 34 Railway projects (16 new lines, 02 gauge conversion and 16 doubling), costing ₹80,184 crore for 5,872 km length, falling fully/partly in Maharashtra are under different stages of planning/approval/execution. Out of which, 1,421 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹23,964 crore has been incurred upto March 2023.

Railway infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra are covered in Central Railway, South Central Railway, South East Central Railway, South Western Railway and Western Railway Zones of Indian Railways.

Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in Budget allotment for infrastructure projects and commensurate commissioning. Average

annual Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the state of Maharashtra is as under:-

Period	Average Outlay	Increase as compared to average allocation during 2009-14
2009-14	₹ 1,171 Cr./Yr	-
2023-24	₹ 13,539 Cr.	More than 11 times

Since 2014-23, 1472 Km (147 km New line, 136 km Gauge conversion and 1189 km Doubling) sections falling fully/partly in Maharashtra have been commissioned at an average rate 163.56 km per year, which is 180% more than commissioning during 2009-14 (58.4 Km/Yr.).

Commissioning comparison:

Year	Length	Avg.	Increase as compared to average commissioning during 2009-14
2009-14	292 Km	58.4 km/year	-
2014-23	1472 Km.	163.56 km/year	More than 2.8 times

Completion/Execution 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. and all these factors affect the execution and completion time of the project/s.

In last 3 years (2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23) and current financial year (2023-24), 75 Nos. of Surveys (14 New Line, 02 Gauge Conversion and 59 Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra having a total length of 5875 Km have been sanctioned.

At present, Ramtek-Nagpur (Itwari) sector is being served by 02 pairs of train services. Besides, introduction of train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic demand, operational feasibility, and availability of resources, etc.
