GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3743 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2019

EXTENSION OF RAILWAY LINES IN RAJASTHAN

†3743. SHRI BALAK NATH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to extend the railway line in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce new trains in Rajasthan, particularly in Alwar; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(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. 3743 BY SHRI BALAK NATH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11.12.2019 REGARDING EXTENSION OF RAILWAY LINES IN RAJASTHAN

(a) & (b): Presently, 11 new line projects have been taken up as an extension to rail lines in Rajasthan. These projects, covering a total length of 1,238 Km costing ₹15,303 crore are in different stages of planning/sanction/execution. Out of which, commissioning of 69 km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹1543 crore has been incurred upto March, 2019.

During 2009-14, 798 Km length (61 Km New Line, 675 Km Gauge Conversion and 62 Km Doubling) has been commissioned in the state of Rajasthan at an average rate of 160 Km per year.

During 2014-19, 1516 Km (80 Km New Line, 483 Km Gauge Conversion and 953 Km Doubling) has been commissioned in the state of Rajasthan at an average rate of 303 Km per year, which is 190% of commissioning during 2009-14.

Average Annual Budget allocation for infrastructure projects & safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan, during 2014-19 has been enhanced to ₹2951 crore per year, from ₹682 crore per year (during 2009-14). Thus, the average annual budget allocation during 2014-19 is 433% of average annual budget allocation of 2009-14 (₹682 crore per year).

The project-wise details of projects including 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).

(c) & (d): Introduction of trains is an ongoing process on Indian Railways. However, trains are not introduced on State-wise basis as railway network cuts across the State boundaries. Towards this end, Indian Railways has introduced 14817/18 Bhagat Ki Kothi-Bandra (T) Express w.e.f. 01.12.2019. This is in addition to the 34 pairs of Mail/Express and 14 pairs of Passenger trains originating/terminating at various stations located in the State of Rajasthan, introduced during the period April, 2014 to November, 2019.

04 pairs of Mail/Express viz. 19337/38 Indore-Delhi Sarai Rohilla Express, 19415/16 Ahmedabad-Shri Mata Vaisho Devi Katra Express, 19717/18 Jaipur-Chandigarh Express and 22985/86 Udaipur City-Delhi Sarai Rohilla Rajasthan Humsafar Express, introduced during the aforesaid period, are catering to the needs of passengers of Alwar station.
