

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3885
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2019**

PENDING PROJECTS

†3885. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of pending and incomplete projects like electrification of railway line, conversion of narrow gauge into broad gauge, construction of ROBs, etc. in the country, particularly in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;**
- (b) the time by when the said projects are likely to be completed in every aspect; and**
- (c) the funds allocated and spent on these projects during the said period along with the State/UT-wise details thereof including Bihar and Uttar Pradesh?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3885 BY SHRI AJAY NISHAD TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11.12.2019 REGARDING PENDING PROJECTS

(a) (i) Railway Electrification:-

Presently, Indian Railways have taken up 62 Railway Electrification projects of length of 29,537 km costing ₹ 30,915 crore, which are in different stages of execution/Planning. Out of which, commissioning of 4,521 km has been achieved and expenditure of ₹ 9,152 crore incurred upto March, 2019. Total 64 Railway Electrification projects of 24,089 km length, costing ₹ 23,396 crore have been included in the Budget during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 & current year. These 62 projects include:-

14 electrification projects of 2,592 km length and costing ₹ 3,304 crore falling fully/partly in the state of Bihar. Out of which, commissioning of 618 km has been achieved and expenditure of ₹ 1,732 crore incurred upto March, 2019. Total 17 Railway Electrification projects falling fully/partly in the state of Bihar covering length of 1,835 km length & costing ₹1,968 crore have been included in the Budget during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 & the current year.

30 electrification projects of 4,529 km length and costing ₹ 4,500 crore falling fully/partly in the state of Uttar Pradesh. Out of which, commissioning of 1,195 km has been achieved and expenditure of ₹ 1,667 crore incurred upto March, 2019. Total 32 Railway Electrification projects falling fully/partly in the state of Uttar Pradesh covering length of 3,854 km length & costing ₹3,437 crore have been included in the Budget during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 & the current year.

(ii) Conversion of Narrow Gauge into Broad Gauge:-

Presently, Indian Railways have taken up, 55 Gauge Conversion projects of 7,275 Km length and costing ₹56,135 crore, which are in different stages of execution/planning/sanction. Out of which, commissioning of 3,573 km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹19,640 crore has been incurred up to March, 2019. Out of total 55 gauge conversion projects, 25 projects of 1,412 km length and costing ₹11,568 crore, have been included in the Budget, during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and current financial year. Above projects includes:-

Out of total 55 gauge conversion projects, 05 gauge conversion projects of 1,007 Km length, costing ₹5,462 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Bihar. Out of which, commissioning of 716 km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹3,772 crore incurred up to March, 2019. No gauge conversion project sanctioned during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 & the current year.

Out of total 55 gauge conversion projects, 06 gauge conversion projects are of 447 Km length, costing ₹2,425 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh. Out of which, commissioning of 133 km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹1,112 crore incurred up to March, 2019. Out of total, 06 gauge conversion projects, falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh, 05 project of 185 km length, costing ₹1,225 crore has been included in the Budget during last three years i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and current financial year.

(iii) Construction of ROBs:-

Presently, 1545 Nos. of Road over Bridges (ROBs) has been sanctioned. Out of these, 254 Nos. of ROBs has been fully completed, Railway portion of 108 ROBs has been completed, work is in progress in 300 ROBs, consent for cost sharing from State Governments is not available in 265 ROBs and remaining 618 ROB works are at various stages of planning, estimation and execution.

In the State of Uttar Pradesh, 298 Nos. of Road over Bridges (ROBs) has been sanctioned. Out of these, 66 Nos. of ROBs has been fully completed, Railway portion of 17 ROBs has been completed, work is in progress in 50 ROBs, consent for cost sharing from State Government is not available in 89 ROBs and remaining 76 ROB works are at various stages of planning, estimation and execution.

In the State of Bihar, 120 Nos. of Road over Bridges (ROBs) has been sanctioned. Out of these, 19 Nos. of ROBs has been fully completed, Railway portion of 2 ROBs has been completed, work is in progress in 21 ROBs, consent for cost sharing from State Government is not available in 37 ROBs and remaining 41 ROB works are at various stages of planning, estimation and execution.

(b) The timely completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities (both underground and over ground), statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions, encountering unforeseen conditions like earthquake, flooding, excessive rains, strikes of labour,

orders of Hon'ble Courts, situation and conditions of working agencies/contractors etc. and all these factors vary from project to project and site to site. Hence, no confirmed time frame can be fixed for completion of projects.

(c) The details of allotment of funds and expenditure project-wise 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).
