

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2172  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.03.2020**

**SURVEY OF RAILWAY PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA**

**†2172. DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has carried out any survey for laying rail lines, gauge conversion and electrification of tracks in Maharashtra; and**
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof, location-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2172 BY DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.03.2020 REGARDING SURVEY OF RAILWAY PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA**

**(a) and (b):** Railway projects are not surveyed State-wise. Surveys are undertaken based on various considerations such as demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives, Railway's own operational requirement, last mile connectivity etc. However, 21 surveys of new lines/gauge conversion falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra have been completed in last three years and current year (2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20). 11 projects of new lines/gauge conversion falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra have been included in Budget subject to requisite Government approvals during the last three years and current year (2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20). Details are as under:

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of project</b>	<b>Length (KM)</b>
	<b><u>NEW LINE</u></b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Vaibhavwadi – Kolhapur (now Shri Chhatrapati Shahumaharaj Terminus)</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Indore-Manmad via Malegaon</b>	<b>368</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Pune-Nasik</b>	<b>265</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Hatkanangale-Ichalkaranji</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Jeur-Asthi</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Phaltan-Pandharpur</b>	<b>105</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Solapur-Tuljapur-Osmanabad</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Dhule (Borvahir) -Nardana</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Bidar-Nanded</b>	<b>155</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Kalyan-Murbad via Ulhasnagar</b>	<b>28</b>
	<b><u>GAUGE CONVERSION</u></b>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Pachora-Jamner Gauge Conversion with extension upto Malkapur</b>	<b>84</b>

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**Railway Electrification:** Ministry of Railways has planned to electrify balance Broad Gauge (BG) routes of Indian Railways by December, 2023 including the State of Maharashtra.

Presently, under Plan Head “Railway Electrification”, 12 electrification projects of 2,691 km length with costing of ₹3,122 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra are in progress. Out of which, commissioning of 144 km has been achieved.

Electrification of Rail routes will reduce Nation’s dependence on imported fossil based fuels i.e. diesel oil.

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