

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2262  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.03.2020**

**GAUGE CONVERSION ON HIMMATNAGAR-SHAMLAJI RAIL ROUTE**

**2262. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any data about the fund spent for Gauge conversion on Himmatnagar-Shamlaji rail route; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof?**

**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.2262 BY SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.03.2020 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION ON HIMMATNAGAR-SHAMLAJI RAIL ROUTE**

**(a) and (b): Funds are allocated project-wise not section-wise. However, Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Udaipur gauge conversion including Modasa-Shamlaji Road new line project (317.73 Km) was included in the Budget 2008-09 and the latest cost of the project is ₹1667 crore and expenditure of ₹1229.53 crore has been incurred upto March, 2019. Revised outlay of ₹332.60 crore has been provided for the complete project during 2019-20.**

**The execution of the project has expedited from 2014-15, as, more budget outlay has been arranged from 2014-15 onwards. The total expenditure upto March 2014 was only ₹7.83 crore, while, the same increased substantially to ₹1229.53 crore upto March, 2019. Thus, expenditure of ₹1221.70 crore was done from 2014 to 2019.**

**BUDGET OUTLAY (FOR THE PROJECTS FALLING FULLY/PARTLY IN THE STATE OF RAJASTHAN):**

**Average Annual Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan, during 2014-19 has increased to ₹2951 crore per year, from ₹682 crore per year (during 2009-14). Thus the average annual budget allocation during 2014-19 is 333% more than average annual budget allocation of 2009-14 (₹682 crore per year).**

**Budget allotment for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan for financial year 2019-20 is ₹4686 crore, which is 587% more than average budget outlay of 2009-14.**

**COMMISSIONING OF PROJECTS:**

**During 2009-14, 798 Km. length (61 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 90% more than the commissioning during 2009-14.**

**Gauge conversion work of Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar (87.25 Km) section has been completed upto March, 2019.**

**During financial year 2019-20, 24 Km long section from Himmatnagar-Raighadh and 26 km. section from Udaipur-Kharwachanda have been completed. Thus, a total length of 135 km has been completed. Work in remaining section is in different stages of execution.**

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