### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3926 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2020

#### ONGOING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

## 3926. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the projects listed in Pink Book but not commissioned till date falling fully/partly in Karnataka and also those that are dropped from the Pink Book as on date and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether many of these projects are getting delayed due to land acquisition, forestry and wild life clearance and shifting of utilities;
- (c) the total allocation of funds for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka in 2019-20;
- (d) the details of new lines, gauge conversion and doubling projects, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka during 2014-19; and
- (e) the details of on-going projects under different stages of planning/ approval/execution in the State of Karnataka as on December 31, 2019?

#### ANSWER

#### **MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

#### (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

#### (a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3926 BY KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE AND SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 18.03.2020 REGARDING ONGOING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

(a), (d) and (e) Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise, not State wise, as Indian Railway's Network Straddles across various State boundaries. However, details of projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka are as under:-

Presently, total 35 ongoing projects of total length 4,403 Km, costing ₹ 44,208 crore, falling fully/partly in the state of Karnataka are in different stages of planning/sanctioning/execution, out of which, commissioning of 679 Km length has been achieved, this includes:-

20 new line projects of total length 2,502 Km, costing ₹ 28,428 crore, out of which, commissioning of 245 Km length has been achieved and an expenditure of ₹ 3,755 crore has been incurred upto March, 2019.

In addition, one new line project Dharwad to Belgaum via Kittur of 73 Km length, costing ₹ 988 crore has been included in Budget book 2020-21(against umbrella work of 2019-20).

15 doubling projects of total length 1,901 Km, costing ₹ 15,780 crore, out of which, commissioning of 435 Km length has been achieved and an expenditure of ₹ 6,790 crore has been incurred upto March, 2019.

The details of all ongoing projects and completed projects including cost, 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)> Pink Book (year)>Railway-wise Works Machinery & Rolling Stock Programme(RSP).

No project has been dropped from the Pink Book.

(b) The 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. All these factors vary from project to project and site to site and affect the completion time and cost of the project.

Out of total 35 ongoing projects, 17 New Line and 13 Doubling Projects require land acquisition/forestry clearance. Some of important doubling projects, which require land acquisition/forestry clearance are as under:-

S.No.	Projects Name	Length (in
		Kilometres)
1.	Hospet-Hubli-Londa-Tinaighat-	301
	Vasco-da-Gama	
2.	Hotgi-Kudgi-Gadag Double Line	284

3.	Hubli-Chikjajur Doubling project	190
4.	Yelahanka-Penukonda Double Line	122.55
5.	Arsikere-Tumkur	96
6.	Pune-Miraj-Londa Double Line	466
7.	Baiyyapannahalli-Hosur	48
8.	Bangalore-Whitefield- Bangalore	23
	City- Krishnarajapuram Quadrupling	
9.	Birur-Shimoga	60
10.	Yeshwantpur-Channasandra	21.70
11.	Renigunta, Gooty & Wadi Byepass	21
12.	Kankanadi-Panambur Patch	19
	Doubling	

# (c) BUDGET ALLOCATION (FOR THE PROJECT FALLING FULLY/PARTLY IN THE STATE OF KARNATAKA):

Average annual Budget allocation for Infrastructure & safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, has increased to ₹ 2,702 crore, during 2014-19, from ₹ 835 crore (during 2009-14). Thus, the average annual budget allocation for 2014-19 is 224% more than average annual Budget allocation during 2009-14.

Total Budget Estimate (BE) outlay for Infrastructure & safety works, falling, fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, in 2019-20 is ₹ 3,386 crore, which is 306% more than average annual Budget outlay of 2009-14.

COMMISSIONING OF THE NEW LINE/GAUGE CONVERSION/DOUBLING PROJECTS (FALLING FULLY/PARTLY IN THE STATE OF KARNATAKA):

During 2009-14, 565 Km (206 Km New line, 185 Km Gauge conversion and 174 Km Doubling) projects, falling fully/partly in Karnataka have been commissioned at an average rate of 113 Km per year. During 2014-19, 735 Km (253 Km of New line and 482 Km of Doubling) projects, falling fully/partly in Karnataka have been commissioned at an average rate of 147 Km per year, which is 30% more than commissioning during 2009-14.

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