

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1468  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2021**

**PENDING MAINTENANCE WORKS**

**1468. DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY:**

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

**(a) the details of long pending maintenance works including yard remodelling, repair and re-girdering of old bridges, doubling and electrification of railway lines and renewal of scissor crossovers within Tamil Nadu;**

**(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for these works within Tamil Nadu during the last three years;**

**(c) the details of the number of works that have been completed so far; and**

**(d) the steps being taken by the Government for timely completion of the pending works?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND  
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1468 BY DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.02.2021 REGARDING PENDING MAINTENANCE WORKS**

**(a) Railway projects are sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise, as Indian Railways network spans across various State boundaries. The State of Tamil Nadu falls in South Western Railway, Southern Railway and South Central Railway. The details of long pending maintenance works in these Zonal Railways in State of Tamil Nadu are as under:**

<b>Description of work</b>	<b>Number of pending works</b>
<b>Re-Girdering of old bridges</b>	<b>1</b>

**(b) The details of funds allocated and utilized for the above work during last three years since 01.04.2018 are as under:**

	<b>₹ in Crore</b>	
<b>Description of work</b>	<b>Funds allocated</b>	<b>Funds utilized</b>
<b>Re-Girdering of old bridges</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>1.34</b>

**(c) The details of the number of works that have been completed in the State of Tamil Nadu during last three years since 01.04.2018 are as under:**

<b>Description of work</b>	<b>Completed Works</b>
<b>Track Renewal Works</b>	<b>89 nos</b>
<b>Yard remodeling works</b>	<b>13 nos</b>
<b>Repair/ Rehabilitation of old bridges</b>	<b>119 bridges</b>
<b>Doubling</b>	<b>320 km</b>
<b>Electrification of Rail Lines</b>	<b>328.84 Route km</b>
<b>Renewal of scissor/diamond crossovers</b>	<b>3 nos</b>

**(d) The steps being taken by the Railways for effective and speedy completion of railway works/projects are as under:**

**(i) Track renewal works are sanctioned every year on the basis of traffic carried, condition etc and their execution is prioritized according to condition of track.**

**(ii) Railways have well laid down procedures to inspect and assess the condition of bridges, assign priority for works based on the condition of bridges and execute the works on a programmed basis as well as on urgent basis.**

**(iii) To expedite electrification of railway lines, various steps have been taken viz award of Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracts, better project monitoring mechanism, assured/committed funds, decentralization of powers to field units etc.**

**(iv) Substantial increase in allocation of funds for doubling projects, prioritization of projects, delegation of powers at field level, monitoring of progress at various levels, regular follow up with State Governments and concerned authorities for expeditious land acquisition, forestry & wild life clearances and for resolving other issues.**

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