

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1543
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2021**

UPCOMING PROJECTS IN SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAYS

1543. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the ongoing developmental, doubling, electrification and other works in South Western Railway along with the estimated cost, funds spent and the expected timeline for the completion of works;**
- (b) whether there has been any delay in the completion of the above-mentioned developmental works, if so, the reasons therefor and the estimated cost escalation of the projects due to the delay;**
- (c) whether there are any upcoming projects in the South Western Railway region, if so, the estimated cost and the status of the approval for the same;**
- (d) whether any work has begun with respect to the suburban railway project in Bengaluru and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the expected timeline for the completion of the project and the reasons for the delay, if any, in the start of the project?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1543 BY SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.02.2021 REGARDING UPCOMING PROJECTS IN SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAYS

(a): As on 01.04.2020, total 34 ongoing projects (20 new lines and 14 doublings) of total length 4,307 Km, costing ₹ 47,376 crore, in South Western Railway are in different stages of planning/sanctioning/execution, out of which, commissioning of 778 Km length has been achieved. This includes:-

(i) 20 new line projects of total length 2,428 Km, costing ₹ 30,034 crore, out of which, commissioning of 245 Km length has been achieved and an expenditure of ₹ 4,608 crore has been incurred upto March, 2020.

(ii) 14 doubling projects of total length 1,879 Km, costing ₹ 17,342 crore, out of which, commissioning of 533 Km length has been achieved and an expenditure of ₹ 6,673 crore has been incurred upto March, 2020.

13 Railway Electrification projects of total length of 2,644 Route Kilometer (RKM), costing ₹ 4,054 crore in South Western Railway are under different stages of planning/execution. Expenditure of ₹ 905 crore on these projects has been made upto March, 2020.

The details of all ongoing 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)> Rail Budget/Pink Book (year)>Railway-wise Works Machinery & Rolling Stock Programme (RSP).

(b): The completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forestry clearance by forest department shifting of infringing utilities, 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, etc. All these factors affect the completion time and cost of the project.

(c): Sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and ongoing process. New Railway projects are proposed during the Budget. At present, on South Western Railway there are 34 upcoming projects (20 new lines and 14 doublings) are in different stages of planning/approval/execution.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. The work of “Bengaluru Suburban Transport Project” was approved by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) on 07.10.2020 at completion cost of ₹15,767 crore with completion period of 6 years. The project is being executed by Rail Infrastructure Development Company Karnataka (Limited) (K-RIDE), a joint Venture Company of Ministry of Railways and Government of Karnataka. Works like land acquisition, identification of utility shifting, finalization of design consultancy, geotechnical investigation and planning of station etc. have been taken up by K-RIDE.
