

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2669  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021**

**SUPAUL-ARARIA-GALGALIA RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**†2669. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:**

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

- (a) whether the Supaul-Araria-Galgalia railway line project is important from security point of view;**
- (b) if so, whether the said project is also included under the national security project and if so, the efforts being made for the early completion of the same;**
- (c) whether the work on the said project is progressing at a very slow pace; and**
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?**

**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. 2669 BY SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.03.2021 REGARDING SUPAUL-ARARIA-GALGALIA RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**(a) to (d) : Supaul-Araria-Galgalia rail line is being executed as two projects namely (i) Supaul-Araria (92 km) new rail line project and Araria-Galgalia (111 km) new line project. However, both these rail line projects are not amongst the identified strategic railway lines.**

**So far, land acquisition for both the Supaul – Araria new rail line and Araria- Galgalaia new rail line projects has been taken up. Earthwork and Bridgeworks have been taken up on section where land has been acquired.**

**Completion of a Railway project depends on various factors like forest clearance by officials of 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, priority of projects, etc. and all these factors affect the completion time of the project.**

**To ensure that projects are completed in time without cost overrun, lot of monitoring is done in Railways at various levels (field level, Zonal level and Board level) and regular meetings are held with the officials of State Government and concerned authorities to resolve the pending issues obstructing the progress of projects.**

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