

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1520
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN NORTH EASTERN REGION

1520. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total number of railway projects that are yet to be completed in the North Eastern Region;**
- (b) the total amount of funds that have been allocated to NER towards the completion of the said railway projects;**
- (c) whether the Government has a plan to increase the amount of funds allotted to the NER owing to its increased rail infrastructure requirement; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1520 BY SHRI REBATI TRIPURA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.07.2021 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN NORTH EASTERN REGION

(a): Railway projects are sanctioned and taken up Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise or Region-wise as the Indian Railways' network span across various State boundaries.

As on 01.04.2021, 20 Projects costing ₹74,485 crore for 2,011 km length falling fully/partly in North Eastern Region are under different stage of planning/ approval/ execution, out of which 321 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹26,874 crore incurred upto March, 2021. These include-

- 14 New Line Projects covering a length of 1,181 km at a cost of ₹56,553 crore, out of which 253 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹23,994 crore incurred upto March, 2021.**
- 6 Doubling Projects covering a length of 830 km at a cost of ₹17,932 crore, out of which 68 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹2,880 crore incurred upto March, 2021.**

During 2014-21, 1356 km projects (270 km of New Line, 972 km of Gauge Conversion and 114 km of Doubling) falling fully/partly in North Eastern Region have been commissioned at an average rate 193.71 km per year, which is 94% more than average commissioning during 2009-14 (66.6 km/year).

(b) to (d): For financial year 2021-22, total Budget outlay of ₹6,913 crore has been provided for infrastructure and safety works falling fully/ partly in North Eastern Region, which is 226% more with respect to average annual budget outlay of 2009-14 (₹2,122 crore/year). Average annual Budget allocation for these projects during 2014-19 has been enhanced to ₹5,531 crore per year from ₹2,122 crore per year during 2009-14, which is 161% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14 and budget outlay of ₹4,669 crore was provided for these projects for financial year 2020-21 which is 120% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14.

Funds are allotted project-wise on yearly basis, based on requirement projected by the Zonal Railways depending upon progress of the work subject to availability of funds.
