

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1645
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2021**

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

**†1645. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:
SHRI ARUN SAO:
SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ongoing major construction projects of Railways at present; State-wise/Zone-wise;**
- (b) the percentage of the railway development work that got obstructed throughout the country during corona period;**
- (c) the names of important schemes throughout the country including in Chhattisgarh postponed by the Government permanently due to corona crisis and the names of important schemes which have been discontinued for a long time; and**
- (d) the names of works of the Railways that got affected in the country including Chhattisgarh during the Corona period?**

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. 1645 BY SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI, SHRI ARUN SAO AND SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.12.2021 REGARDING ONGOING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

(a): The Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise as the Railways' projects may spans across State boundaries. As on 01.04.2021, 484 Railway projects of 51,165 Km length, costing approx. ₹7.53 lakh crore are in different stages of planning/sanction/execution, out of which 10,638 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of approx. ₹2.14 lakh crore has been incurred upto March, 2021. These include:-

- (i) 187 New line projects of 21,037 Km length, costing ₹4,05,916 crore, out of which commissioning of 2,621 Km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹1,05,591 crore has been incurred upto March, 2021.**
- (ii) 46 Gauge Conversion projects of 6,213 Km length, costing ₹53,171 crore, out of which commissioning of 3,587 Km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹22,184 crore has been incurred upto March, 2021.**
- (iii) 251 Doubling projects of 23,915 Km length, costing ₹2,93,471 crore, out of which commissioning of 4,430 Km length has been achieved and expenditure of ₹86,041 crore has been incurred upto March, 2021.**

Zonal Railway wise details of Railway 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 and Rolling Stock Programme.**

**(b) to (d): As on 01.04.2021, 17 Projects (8 New Lines, 9 Doubling) of
2,748 Km length costing ₹38,216 crore falling fully/partly in
Chhattisgarh are under different stages of
planning/approval/execution, out of which 566 Km length has been
commissioned and an expenditure of ₹10,239 crore has been incurred
upto March 21.**

**None of the New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects in the
country including those in Chattisgarh have been postponed
permanently or discontinued for a long time due to Corona crisis.**

**Due to the imposition of nationwide lockdown from 25th March, 2020
on account of COVID-19 pandemic, initially, there was a slowdown in
the execution of Railway projects. However, after the initial phase,
with the gradual easing of lockdown restrictions, the pace of
construction and other infrastructure development activities gained
momentum. Moreover, due to meticulous planning, prioritization of
projects and focused approach of execution, infrastructure works are
now in full swing. Despite COVID pandemic, during 2020-21, 2,370 km
length (286 Km New Line, 470 Km Gauge Conversion and 1614 Km
Doubling) has been commissioned which is 56% more than average
annual commissioning during 2009-14 (1,520 Km/year).**

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During 2014-21, 637 Km sections (132 Km of New Line and 505 Km of Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Chhattisgarh have been commissioned at an average rate 91 Km per year, which is 1322% more than commissioning during 2009-14 (6.40 Km/yr).
