GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1812 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2021

DOUBLING OF RAIL LINE IN BUNDELKHAND

†1812. SHRI R. K. SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the doubling of rail line is being undertaken from Jhasi division and Kanpur division to Manikpur junction railway station (North Central railways) in Bundelkhand;
- (b) if so, the time line fixed for this purpose; and
- (c) the complete details in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1812 BY SHRI R.K SINGH PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.12.2021 REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAIL LINE IN BUNDELKHAND.

(a) to (c) Railway Infrastructure projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise and not Region-wise. However, Railway has taken up doubling of Bhimsen-Jhansi (206 km) and Doubling of Jhansi-Khairar-Manikpur and Khairar-Bhimsen (425 Km) in the area. Details of these projects are as below:

Doubling of Jhansi-Khairar-Manikpur and Khairar-Bhimsen (425 Km) was sanctioned in Budget 2016-17. Sanctioned cost of Project is ₹4330 Cr. Works on the project have been taken up. So far an expenditure of ₹60.61 Cr. has been incurred on the project. An outlay of ₹250 Cr. (Original Budget outlay ₹50 Cr and additional outlay of ₹200 Cr) has been provided for the project for financial year 2021-22.

Doubling of Bhimsen – Jhansi (206 Km) was sanctioned in 2012-13. Sanctioned cost of project is ₹2204 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹1711 Cr. has been incurred on the project. An outlay of ₹457.94 Cr. (Original Budget outlay ₹300 Cr and additional outlay of ₹157.94 Cr) has been provided for the project for financial year 2021-22. 105 Km length of Project has been commissioned upto March 2021 and Chaurah-Malasa (19.14 Km) commissioned in September 2021. Works in remaining section of the project have been taken up

Completion of any Railway project/s depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forestry 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/s site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions, etc. All these factors vary from project to project and affect the completion time of the project/s. Nevertheless, Railways are making all efforts to complete these projects at the earliest.
