

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2982
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2021**

DOUBLING/ELECTRIFICATION OF MIRAJ-BANGALORE ROUTE

2982. SHRIMATI ANGADI MANGAL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the Miraj-Bangalore railway line;**
- (b) the details of doubling/electrification work on the said line; and**
- (c) the time by which the said project is likely to be commissioned?**

**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. 2982 BY SHRIMATI ANGADI MANGAL SURESH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.12.2021 REGARDING DOUBLING/ELECTRIFICATION OF MIRAJ-BANGALORE ROUTE

(a) to (c): On Miraj-Bangalore section, Chikjajur-Arsikere and Tumkuru-Bangalore sections are already double line section. Further, Doubling of balance sections of Miraj-Londa, Londa-Hubli, Hubli-Chikjajur and Arsikere-Tumkur have been taken up in patches. The details of these doublings are as under:-

Miraj-Londa doubling has been taken up as part of Pune-Miraj-Londa (466 Km) doubling, sanctioned in 2015-16. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 4,795 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹ 1,722 crore has been incurred. For Financial Year 2021-22 an outlay ₹ 647.86 crore has been provided for the project. Ghataprabha-Chikkodi Road-Raybag-Kudachi (46 Km) in Miraj-Londa section have been commissioned. Works have been taken up in balance section.

Londa-Hubli doubling as part of Hospet - Hubli - Londa-Tinaighat - Vascco da gama (363 Km) sanctioned in 2010-11 has been commissioned.

Hubli-Chikjajur (190 Km) doubling has been included in budget in 2015-16. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 1,804 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹ 1,165 crore has been incurred on the project. An outlay ₹ 336 crore has been provided for the project for Financial Year 2021-2022. Total 95 Km section including Chikjajur –Tolahunse (37 Km), Davangere – Harihar (13 Km), Harihar – Devaragudda (31 Km), South Hubli – Hubli (04 Km) and Tolahunse – Davangere (10 Km) have been commissioned. Works have been taken up in balance section.

Arsikere –Tumkuru new line project (96 Km) has been included in budget in 2015-16. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 764 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹ 648 crore has been incurred on the project. Total 74 Km section including Arsikere –Banasandra (47 Km) and Tumkuru- Nittur (27 Km) have been commissioned. Works have been taken up in balance Nittur-Banasandra (22 Km) section.

Further, Bangalore-Tumkur (70 Route Km) and Hubli-Londa (90 Route Km) sections of Miraj-Bangalore route have been electrified. Electrification works on balance sections are under different stages of execution and planned for completion on mission mode in phased manner.

The completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, priority of project, 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 of the project. As such, confirmed completion time of project cannot be ascertained at this stage. Nevertheless, every effort is being made to execute the project expeditiously.

Since 2014, there is substantial increase in budget outlay for infrastructure projects and safety works and commensurate commissioning. Average annual Budget allocation for Infrastructure and safety works, falling fully/ partly in State of Karnataka, during 2014-19 has been enhanced to ₹ 2,702 crore per year from ₹ 835 crore per year during 2009-14, which is 224% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14. For financial year

2019-20 budget allocation of ₹ 3,386 crore (306% more than average annual allocation of 2009-14) and for financial year 2020-21 ₹ 4,220 crore (405% more than average annual budget allocation of 2009-14) has been provided for these works. For financial year 2021-22, highest ever budget outlay of ₹ 4,297 crore (original budget outlay ₹ 4,204 crore and additional ₹ 93 crore) has been provided for these works, which is 415% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14.

During 2014-21, 1,162 Km (281 km of New line and 881 km of Doubling projects) have been commissioned in the state at an average rate 166 km per year, which is 47% more than commissioning during 2009-14(113 Km/Yr).
