

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 690
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.12.2021**

ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES

690. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of passenger trains with electric locomotives that are currently deployed in NER;**
- (b) whether there are plans to introduce more such locomotives and if so, details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the amounts sanctioned and disbursed for electrification of locomotives, State-wise; and**
- (d) whether the Railways has an estimated time for completion of these projects?**

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. 690 BY SHRI VINCENT H. PALA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 01.12.2021 REGARDING ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES

(a): As on date, there are 152 pairs of trains originating/terminating in North Eastern Railway (NER) and 52 pairs of trains passing through NER, being operated by electric locomotives.

(b): Taking over of passenger trains on electric traction depends on commissioning of additional electrified sections and traffic demands based on viability of operation of such trains in the region.

(c): Funds for Railway Electrification are sanctioned on pan India basis and not State-wise; Budget allocation of ₹ 7,542 crore has been kept for Railway Electrification projects during 2021-22. Expenditure of ₹ 3,261 crore has been incurred up to 31.10.2021.

(d): The completion of Electrification project depends on various factors like clearances from the concerned Departments/State Governments/ Central Ministries, completion of Transmission Line works by State Power Utilities and resolution of law & order issues during execution, which are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways. Therefore, it is not feasible to fix time lines for completion of the project.