

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1380
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2022**

KAPTANGANJ-THAWE-CHHAPRA RAILWAY LINE

1380. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has undertaken the Kaptanganj-Thawe-Siwan-Chhapra, Siwan-Thawe-TBR, Thawe-Kaptanganj-SL-TFR excluding ERC and Siwan-Thawe-TFR rail line projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the reasons for delay, present status, money spent and time frame decided for completing these lines;

(c) the details of improvement of Thawe-Kaptanganj rail line;

(d) whether the Government has been working on Kaptanganj-Thawe-Chhapra Optic Fibre Cable Communication system of 200 km and Siwan-Thawe, Chhapra-Ahrnihar and Bhatni-Varanasi city-block proving with axle counters-48 block section and provision of 20-bedded RPF barracks, ticket checking officers rest room at Thawe and re-opening of Reservation Counter;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1380 BY DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.02.2022 REGARDING KAPTANGANJ-THAWE-CHHAPRA RAILWAY LINE

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of projects are as under-

Description of Work	Money spent (Rs. in Crore)	Status/Time frame for completion
Siwan-Thawe-TBR(28 kms)	1.52	June, 2022
Thawe-Kaptanganj-SL-TFR excluding ERC (95 kms)	4.18	Completed in June, 2021
Siwan-Thawe-TFR (28 kms)	1.46	March, 2022

Track renewal works are normally completed within 2 to 3 years of sanction, depending upon condition of track, availability of funds etc, ensuring at all times that track is safe for movement of traffic.

(c) Various track works viz tamping of plain track & turnouts, painting and destressing of rails have been done to strengthen the track, ensuring no overdue renewal. Public amenities viz. public address system at 12 stations, digital clock at 12 stations and train indication board at 1 station have been provided in the section.

(d) to (f) Yes, Sir. The details of works being undertaken/completed are as under:

Description of Work	Cost of work (in ₹)	Status
Kaptanganj- Thawe- Chhapra Optic fibre Cable Communication system of 200 km	6.89 Crore	Commissioned in December, 2019
Block proving with axle counters (48 block sections) work for Gorakhpur Cantt-Valmikinagar, Siwan-Thawe, Chhapra-Aunrihar and Bhatni-Varanasi city	2.38 Crore	Commissioned in August, 2020
Provision of 20 bedded RPF barracks	23.33 Lakh	Work in progress
Provision of Ticket checking officers rest rooms	1.38 Crore	Work in progress

Reservation counter is available in working position at Thawe station.