

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4586
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022**

PUSHKAR-MERTA RAIL LINE

† 4586. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pushkar-Merta rail line project with a length of 59 Kilometers was sanctioned in the 2013-14 budget at the cost of Rs.323 crores has been approved by the Cabinet Committee of Economic Affairs(CCEA);

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether approval of another project of Ajmer-Kota via Nasirabad-Kekdi-Deoli new railway line with a length of 145 kilometers was also sanctioned in the rail budget of 2013-14 at the cost of Rs.821.64 crores and the ROR of which is 6.61 percent is also awaited from the CCEA;

(d) if so, the time by which the approval is likely to be accorded and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether 45 kilometers long new railway line from Kishangarh to Parbatsar under 'Capital Investment Programme was sanctioned in the rail budget of 2016-17 and this project is to be completed as a joint venture with the State Government; and

(f) if so, the details of action taken by the Railways 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. 4586 BY SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.03.2022 REGARDING PUSHKAR-MERTA RAIL LINE

(a) and (b): Pushkar-Merta City (59 Km) new line project was included in Railway Budget 2013-14 subject to requisite Government approvals. The cost as per survey report was ₹323 crore at the price level of 2013-14. As the project was financially unviable, Government of Rajasthan was requested to provide land free of cost and to share 50% cost of construction. Consent of Government of Rajasthan has not been received, as such, project could not be taken forward.

However, survey for Pushkar- Merta City has been taken up again. Further consideration of the project is possible once survey is completed and report examined based on merits including financial viability.

(c) and (d): Ajmer-Kota (Nasirabad-Jalindri) (145Km) new line project was included in Railway Budget 2013-14 subject to requisite Government approvals. The cost as per survey report was ₹822 crore at the price level of 2013-14. As the project was financially unviable, Government of Rajasthan was requested to provide land free of cost and to share 50% cost of construction. Consent of Government of Rajasthan has not been received, as such, project could not be taken forward.

(e) and (f) : Kishangarh to Parbatsar (45 km) new line project was included in Capital Investment Programme 2016-17 in anticipation that Government of Rajasthan will take up the project in Joint Venture (JV) mode. However, Government of Rajasthan has not incorporated the JV Company with Ministry of Railways. As such project could not be taken forward.