## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2897 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022

#### **CONNECTING SIROHI WITH RAILWAY NETWORK**

### †2897. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

#### Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether aspirational district Sirohi has not been connected with a railway line even after 74 years of independence and the people of Sirohi are still waiting to get connected with railway network and if so, the facts thereof;
- (b) whether Sirohi district centre can be connected with railway network via Manmad Bagra and Pindwara route and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to connect the socially and economically backward and Sirohi district headquarter with railway network under the Pradhanmantri Gati Shakti Yojana in view of the railway network requirement for the development of this region;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of districts and Tehsil headquarters still devoid of rail facility in the country including Northwest Railways located in Rajasthan;
- (f) whether any scheme has been formulated for connecting all the districts and tehsils with the railway network; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2897 BY SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.08.2022 REGARDING CONNECTING SIROHI WITH RAILWAY NETWORK

- (a) to (d): Sirohi District of Rajasthan is well connected with Indian Railway network via Palanpur-Abu Road-Sirohi Road-Ajmer railway line. However, survey for Marwar Bagra-Sirohi-Sirohi Road (Pindwara)-Kharwachanda (267.20 Km) was completed in 2016-17. The proposal could not be taken forward being unremunerative in nature and having low traffic potential. As such, no further rail connectivity to Sirohi district is presently planned under Prime Minister Gati Shakti National Master Plan (NMP).
- (e) to (g): The Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise, District wise or area wise as the Railways' projects may span across State/District/Area boundaries. Sanction of new railway lines in areas which are not connected by Railway network including districts and Tehsil headquarters is a continuous and ongoing process of Indian Railways.

As on 01.04.2022, across Indian Railways including Rajasthan, 183 New Line projects of total length of 20,937 km, costing approximately ₹ 4.0 lakh crore are in different stages of planning/sanction/execution, out of which, 2,831 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of approximately ₹ 1.13 lakh crore has been incurred upto March, 2022.

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