

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 258  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

**DAHOD- INDORE RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**258 SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR:**

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

- (a) the present status and progress of the ambitious 204 long Dahod-Indore railway line project in Malwa region;**
- (b) targets set for completion of the project and the time by which it is likely to be completed under the current situation; and**
- (c) amount of the funds allocated and spent till date on this project?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 258 BY SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING DAHOD-INDORE RAILWAY LINE PROJECT**

**(a) to (c): Railway has taken up the construction of Dahod-Indore (205 km) new line project. An expenditure of ₹1587 crore has been incurred on this project upto March 2024. So far, total 57 km section has been commissioned.**

**The Railway projects are sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/Region-wise as the Railways' projects may span across State boundaries. However, as on 01.04.2024, total 42 Railway Infrastructure Projects (6 New Line, 22 Gauge Conversion and 14 Doubling), of total length of 2,947 km, costing ₹30,826 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat are in planning/ approval/ construction stages, out of which 826 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹9,336 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024. These include:**

- (i) 6 New Line projects of total length of 537 km costing ₹7,810 crore, out of which 105 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹3,332 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**
- (ii) 22 Gauge Conversion projects of total length of 1,634 km costing ₹13,756 crore, out of which 671 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹4,655 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**
- (iii) 14 Doubling projects of total length of 776 km costing ₹9,260 crore, out of which 50 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹1,349 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**

**New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat are covered by Western Railway and North Western Railway Zones of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of all Railway Projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects across Indian Railways. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Budget Outlay</b>	<b>Increase w.r.t. average annual allocation of 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>₹589 crore/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>₹8,332 crore</b>	<b>14.15 times</b>

**Commissioning of infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Gujarat is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Average Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Increase w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>660 km</b>	<b>132 km/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2014-24</b>	<b>2,244 km</b>	<b>224 km/year</b>	<b>1.69 times</b>

**Similarly, as on 01.04.2024, 28 Railway Infrastructure Projects (08 New Lines, 02 Gauge Conversion and 18 Doubling), of total length of 5,345 km costing ₹81,797 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are in planning/approval/construction stages, out of which 1,952 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹36,898 crore has been incurred upto March 2024. These include:**

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- (i) **08 New Line Projects of total length of 1,962 km costing ₹38,643 crore, out of which 468 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹11,091 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**
- (ii) **02 Gauge Conversion Projects of total length of 809 km costing ₹9,297 crore, out of which 380 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹5,220 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**
- (iii) **18 Doubling Projects of total length of 2,574 km costing ₹33,857 crore, out of which 1104 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹20,587 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.**

**New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh are covered by North Central Railway, West Central Railway, East Central Railway, Western Railway, Central Railway, South Central Railway and South East Central Railway Zones of Indian Railways. Zone-wise details of all Railway Projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects across Indian Railways. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Budget Outlay</b>	<b>Increase w.r.t. average annual allocation of 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>₹632 crore/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>₹13,607 crore</b>	<b>21.53 times</b>

**Commissioning of infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Madhya Pradesh is as under:**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Average Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Increase w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>145 km</b>	<b>29 km/year</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2014-24</b>	<b>2,249 km</b>	<b>225 km/year</b>	<b>7.75 times</b>

**Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors like land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project/s 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/s.**

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