GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 344 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024

PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA AND UTTAR PRADESH

344 DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI PRAVEEN PATEL: SHRI NARESH GANPAT MHASKE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of ongoing railway projects in Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh, their length, cost, details thereof;
- (b) list of the above projects, nature of the project, route, likely date of completion, reasons for delay of each project;
- (c) average annual budget for Railways in Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh in the last 10 years;
- (d) budget for 2023-24 for Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh and breakup by major heads;
- (e) list of stations selected for Amrit Bharat Scheme in Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh and proposed measures for improvement;
- (f) stations selected for redevelopment in Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh; and
- (g) stations where techno-economic feasibility studies are underway for redevelopment of Thane, Kalyan and Dombivali Stations and progress thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 344 BY DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE, SHRI PRAVEEN PATEL AND SHRI NARESH GANPAT MHASKE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA AND UTTAR PRADESH

(a) to (d): Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise or Region-wise as Indian Railways' projects may span across State boundaries.

Maharashtra

As on 01.04.2024, 41 Railway infrastructure projects (16 New Line, 02 Gauge Conversion and 23 Doubling), of total length of 5,877 km costing ₹81,580 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 1,926 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹31,236 crore has been incurred upto March 2024. These include:-

- (i) 16 New Line projects of total length of 2,017 km costing ₹38,423 crore, out of which 166 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹8,529 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.
- (ii) 2 Gauge Conversion projects of total length of 609 km costing ₹7,339 crore, out of which 312 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹3,332 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.

(iii) 23 Doubling projects of total length of 3,251 km costing ₹35,818 crore, out of which 1,448 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹19,376 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.

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 Maharashtra is as under:-

Period	Average Outlay	Increase w.r.t. to average
		allocation during 2009-14
2009-14	₹1,171 crore/year	-
2014-24	₹ 7,197 crore/year	6.1 times
2023-24	₹13,539 crore	11.56 times

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

Period	Total Track Commissioned	Average Track Commissioned	Increase w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14
2009-14	292 Km	58.4 km/year	-
2014-24	1830 Km	183 km/year	3.13 times

In 2023-24 total 358 kms have been commissioned which is more than 6 times as compared to average commissioning during 2009-14.

Further, to avoid congestions on suburban corridors and to meet the future demands, MUTP-III costing ₹10,947 crores and MUTP-IIIA costing ₹33,690 crores have been sanctioned. These projects include following additional 10 rail links:

S.No.	Name of project	Cost	
		(₹ in crore)	
1	5th & 6th Line CSTM-Kurla (17.5 km)	891	
2	6th Line Mumbai Central-Borivali (30 km)	919	
3	Panvel-Karjat Suburban corridor (29.6 km)	2782	
4	Airoli-Kalwa (elevated) suburban corridor link (3.3 km)	476	
5	Quadrupling of Virar-Dahanu Road 3rd & 4th Line (64 km)	3587	
6	Extension of Harbour Line Goregaon-Borivali (7 826 km)		
7	5th & 6th line Borivali-Virar (26 km) 2184		
8	4th line between Kalyan-Asangaon (32 km) 1759		
9	3rd & 4th line between Kalyan-Badlapur (14.05 km)	1510	
10	Kalyan Yard-Segregation of Main Line & Suburban	866	

All these MUTP projects have been sanctioned on cost sharing basis 50:50 between Ministry of Railways and Government of Maharashtra. However, Maharashtra Govt. was not providing requisite funds on time as per the commitment till 2022-23, resulting in delay in completion of the projects. Government of Maharashtra has started funding for these projects from April 2023.

Uttar Pradesh

As on 01.04.2024, in Uttar Pradesh, 68 Railway projects (16 New Line, 03 Gauge Conversion and 49 Doubling), of total length of 5,874 km costing ₹92,001 crore falling fully/partly in the State, are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 1,313 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹28,366 crore has been incurred upto March 2024. These include:-

- (i) 16 New Line projects of total length of 1,740 km costing ₹29,156 crore, out of which 297 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹8,672 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.
- (ii) 3 Gauge Conversion projects of total length of 261 km costing ₹2,453 crore, an expenditure of ₹26 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.
- (iii) 49 Doubling projects of total length of 3,873 km costing ₹60,392 crore, out of which 1,016 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹19,668 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.

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 Uttar Pradesh is as under:-

Period	Average Outlay	Increase w.r.t. to average allocation during 2009-14
2009-14	₹1,109 crore/year	-
2023-24	₹ 8833 crore/year	7.96 times

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

Period	Total Track Commissioned	Average Track Commissioned	Increase w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14
2009-14	996 Km	199.2 km/year	-
2014-24	4902 Km	490.2 km/year	2.46 times

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.

Various steps taken by the Government for effective and speedy implementation of rail projects include (i) substantial increase in allocation of funds, (ii) delegation of powers at field level, (iii) close monitoring of progress of project at various levels (iv) regular follow up with State Governments and concerned authorities for expeditious land acquisition, forestry and Wildlife clearances and for resolving other issues pertaining to projects.

(e) to (g): Ministry of Railways has launched 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme' for development of Railway stations on Indian Railways. This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

It involves preparation of Master Plans and their implementation in phases to improve the amenities at the stations like improvement of station access, circulating areas, waiting halls, toilets, lift/escalators as necessary, platform surfacing and cover over platform, cleanliness, free Wi-Fi, kiosks for local products through schemes like 'One Station One Product', better passenger information systems, Executive Lounges, nominated spaces for business meetings, landscaping etc. keeping in view the necessity at each station.

The scheme also envisages improvement of building, integrating the station with both sides of the city, multimodal integration, amenities for Divyangjans, sustainable and environment friendly solutions, provision of ballastless tracks etc., as per necessity, phasing and feasibility and creation of city centres at the station in the long term.

So far 1324 station have been identified under this scheme out of which 128 stations are located in the State of Maharashtra and 157 stations are located in the state of Uttar Pradesh. Master Planning at Thane and Kalyan Railway Stations has been taken up which is an iterative process requiring optimization and details. Therefore, no timelines can be given at this stage.

The names of stations identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme in the State of Maharashtra are as following:

S. No.	State	Count	Name of Stations
1	Maharashtra	128	Ahmednagar, Ajni (Nagpur), Akalkot Road, Akola, Akurdi, Amalner, Amgaon, Amravati, Andheri, Aurangabad, Badnera, Balharshah, Bandra Terminus, Baramati, Belapur, Bhandara Road, Bhokar, Bhusawal, Borivali, Byculla, Chalisgaon, Chanda Fort, Chandrapur, Charni Road, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus, Chinchpokli, Chinchwad, Dadar, Daund, Dehu Road, Devlali, Dhamangaon, Dharangaon, Dharmabad, Dhule, Diva, Dudhani, Gangakher, Godhani, Gondia, Grant Road, Hadapsar, Hatkanangale, Hazur Sahib Nanded, Himayatnagar, Hinganghat, Hingoli Deccan, Igatpuri, Itwari, Jalgaon, Jalna, Jeur, Jogeshwari, Kalyan, Kamptee, Kanjur Marg, Karad, Katol, Kedgaon, Kinwat, Kolhapur, Kopargaon, Kurduwadi, Kurla, Lasalgaon, Latur, Lokmanya Tilak Terminus, Lonand, Lonavla, Lower Parel, Malad, Malkapur, Manmad, Manwath Road, Marine Lines, Matunga, Miraj, Mudkhed, Mumbai Central, Mumbra, Murtajapur, Nagarsol, Nagpur, Nandgaon, Nandura, Narkher, Nasik Road, Osmanabad, Pachora, Palghar, Pandharpur, Parbhani, Parel, Parli Vaijnath, Partur, Prabhadevi, Pulgaon, Pune Jn., Purna, Raver, Rotegaon, Sainagar Shirdi, Sandhurst Road, Sangli, Satara, Savda, Selu, Sewagram, Shahad, Shegaon, Shivaji Nagar Pune, Solapur, Talegaon, Thakurli, Thane, Titvala, Tumsar Road, Umri, Uruli, Vadala Road, Vidyavihar, Vikhroli, Wadsa, Wardha, Washim, Wathar, Nandurbar, Phaltan
