

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 435
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

RAIL NETWORK TO CONNECT RURAL DISTRICTS OF UP

†435 **SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken or is likely to take any steps to construct a new railway line covering Farrukhabad – Allaganj - Jalalabad – Shahjahanpur – Powayan – Khutar – Mailani - Pilibhit to connect the remote rural areas of Shahjahanpur, Farrukhabad, Lakhimpur Khiri, Badaun, Pilibhit districts of Uttar Pradesh with the railway network;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the details of the progress made so far in this regard?**

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.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 435 BY SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2024 REGARDING RAIL NETWORK TO CONNECT RURAL DISTRICTS OF UP

(a) to (c): The Railway projects are surveyed/sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/Region-wise/District-wise as the Railways' projects may span across State/District boundaries. Sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Railway Infrastructure Projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon liabilities of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands.

Survey for construction of new line Farrukhabad-Mailani via Allahaganj, Jalalabad, Shahjahanpur, Pawayan, Khutar (158 km) was completed in 2018-19 with estimated project cost of ₹4168 crore. However, at that time, the project could not be taken forward due to low traffic projections.

However, as on 01.04.2024, total 68 Railway infrastructure Projects (16 New Lines, 3 Gauge Conversion and 49 Doubling), of total length of 5,874 km costing ₹92,001 crore falling fully/partly in Uttar Pradesh are in planning/ approval/ construction stages, 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, out of which 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 1016 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹19,668 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024.**
