

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1449
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024**

AURANGABAD-BIHTA RAILWAY LINE

1449. SHRI RAJA RAM SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of pending projects in Karakat and adjoining area in regard to demands of the people which have been raised with the Government from time to time;**
- (b) the status of construction of Aurangabad-Bihta railway line project along with the anticipated target date of completion of the same;**
- (c) the current construction status of Dalmianagar-Dihri Rail Factory which is a major demand of the people; and**
- (d) the status of Dehri railway bridge construction and by when it will be operational?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1449 BY SHRI RAJA RAM SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 04.12.2024 REGARDING AURANGABAD-BIHATA RAILWAY LINE

(a) and (b): Railway projects are surveyed/ sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise/Constituency-wise as the Railways' projects may span across State/Constituency boundaries. Railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness, traffic projections, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives, Railway's own operational requirement, socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon throwforward of ongoing projects and overall availability of funds.

As on 01.04.2024, 55 projects (31 New Lines, 02 Gauge Conversions and 22 Doubling), of total length of 5,064 Km, costing Rs. 79,356 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Bihar including those falling fully/partly in Karakat area are in planning/approval/construction stage, out of which, 1194 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of Rs. 26,983 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024. The summary is as under:-

Category	No. of projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned till March, 2024 (in Km)	Total Exp. upto March, 2024 (Rs. in Cr.)
New Lines	31	2712	464	13629
Gauge Conversion	2	348	288	1520
Doubling/Multi-tracking	22	2005	442	11834
Total	55	5064	1194	26983

Zone-wise/year-wise details of all Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railway's website.

The details of outlay for infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Bihar is as under:-

Period	Outlay
2009-14	Rs. 1132 Cr./year
2024-25	Rs. 10,033 Cr. (Nearly 9 times)

The details of commissioning/ laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Bihar is as under:-

Period	New Track Commissioned	Average Commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	318 Km	63.6 Km
2023-24	361 Km	361 Km (More than 5 times)

A Final Location Survey for Bihta-Aurangabad (120 Km) New Line project has been sanctioned for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR).

Meanwhile, Anugrah Narayan Road to Aurangabad (12.90 Km) New Line, a part of Bihta – Aurangabad New Line, has been sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 440.59 Crore recently.

The completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, deposition of cost share by State Government in cost sharing projects, priority of projects, 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.

(c): Creation/upgradation of Rolling stock manufacturing/maintenance infrastructure is a continuous process in Indian Railways and is based on operational, traffic requirements etc.

(d): The said location is at Road over Bridge (ROB) No. 33 at Km 55/27-29 between Manpur-Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhya Jn. During periodical inspection of the ROB, the condition of the girder was not found satisfactory. Accordingly, a work of replacement of this girder has been sanctioned.
