

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2682
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024**

**CONSTRUCTION OF NEW RAILWAY LINE TO CONNECT REMOTE RURAL
AREAS IN UTTAR PRADESH**

†2682. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken/propose to take steps to construct a new railway line from Farrukhabad- Alhaganj Jalalabad- Shahjahanpur- Powayan- Khutar- Mailani- Pilibhit to connect remote rural areas of Shahjahanpur, Farrukhabad, Lakhimpur-Kheri, Badaun, Pilibhit district of Uttar Pradesh with 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): Railway projects are surveyed/ sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway-wise and not State-wise/District-wise as Indian Railway projects may span across State boundaries/District boundaries. Railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness,

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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.

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

Railway infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh are covered under Northern Railway, North Central Railway, North Eastern Railway, Eastern Railway, East Central Railway and West Central Railway zones of Indian Railways. Zonal Railway wise details of Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railway's website.

As on 01.04.2024, 68 Railway 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 the State of Uttar Pradesh 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. The status of work is summarized as under:-

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| Plan Head | No. of projects | Total Length (in Km) | Length Commissioned (in Km) | Expenditure upto March 2024 (₹ in Cr.) |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| New Lines | 16 | 1740 | 297 | 8672 |
| Gauge Conversion | 3 | 261 | 0 | 26 |
| Doubling/Multitracking | 49 | 3873 | 1016 | 19668 |
| Total | 68 | 5874 | 1313 | 28366 |

Budget allocation for Infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/ partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh is as under:

| Period | Outlay |
|----------------|---|
| 2009-14 | ₹1,109 crore/year |
| 2024-25 | ₹19,848 crore (More than 17 times) |

The details of commissioning/laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh during 2009-14 and 2014-24 is as under :-

| Period | New Track Commissioned | Average Commissioning of new tracks |
|----------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 2009-14 | 996 Km | 199.2 Km/year |
| 2014-24 | 4,902 Km | 490.2 Km/year (More than 2 times) |
