

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2709
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024**

IMPLEMENTATION OF RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA

2709. SHRI GOVIND MAKTHAPPA KARJOL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has announced any new railway projects for the State of Karnataka in the current budget of 2024-25 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the details of the funds allocated for development of said projects in Karnataka during the year, project wise;**
- (c) the details of the current working progress status of the railway line connecting Davangere and Tumkuru;**
- (d) whether the Government has held meetings/consultations with the State Government of Karnataka regarding acquisition of land and clear of other pending issues in this regard; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): Railway projects are surveyed/ sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise as the Railway projects may span

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across State 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.

Railway infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka are covered under South Western Railway (SWR), Central Railway (CR), Southern Railway (SR) and South Central Railway (SCR) 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.

Survey of total 56 projects (19 new line and 37 doubling) of total length 6159 Km falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka have been sanctioned during last three year (2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and current financial year 2024-25).

As on 01.04.2024, 31 Railways projects (21 New Line, and 10 Doubling) of total length 3,840 Km, costing ₹47,016 crore, falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, are at various stages of planning and

implementation, out of which 1,302 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹17,383 crore has been incurred upto March'2024. The summary is as under:-

Plan Head	No. of projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned (in Km)	Expenditure upto March 2024 (₹in Cr.)
New Line	21	2556	395	7,592
Doubling /Multitracking	10	1284	907	9,791
Total	31	3,840	1,302	17,383

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

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹835 crore/year
2024-25	₹7,559 crore (more than 9 times)

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

Period	Total Track Commissioned	Average Track Commissioned
2009-14	565 Km	113 Km/Year
2014-24	1,633 Km	163/Km/Year

In the Tumkur - Chitradurga - Davangere new line (191 Km) project an expenditure of ₹359.32 Crore has been incurred upto March, 2024.

Further an outlay of ₹150 crore has been provided for Financial Year 2024-25. So far, 875 Ha land has been acquired. Work has been taken up in the available land.

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 climate conditions etc.
