GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2755 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024

CONNECTING NEW RAIL ROUTES

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to State:

- (a) whether the Government proposes or would consider to make the rail journey from other States to Uttar Pradesh easy and connect the State with new railway routes;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to connect the other remaining districts of Uttar Pradesh with new railway routes for the rail journey to other districts of Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to connect the most backward assembly constituencies Seuta and Laharpur Sitapur district of Uttar Pradesh with rail route and rail services to operate there;
- (d) if so, the total number of direct trains likely to be introduced from Sitapur district; and
- (e) 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/District wise/Constituency wise as the Railways' projects may span 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 Uttar Pradesh are covered under Northern Railway, North Central Railway, North 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.

The State of Uttar Pradesh is well connected with other parts of country on Indian Railway Network. To further improve the rail connectivity, during the last three years and the current FY 2024-25, 894 surveys (287 New Line, 14 Gauge Conversion and 593 Doubling) of a total length of 60,673 km have been sanctioned throughout the country including 107 Surveys (33 New lines and 74 Doubling) of total length 5960 km falling fully/partly in Uttar Pradesh.

As on 01.04.2024, 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 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:-

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

Sitapur is already well connected with existing Indian Railway Network. Further, Pt. Seuta and Laharpur are served by Biswan and Parsendi stations located near Sitapur Jn., which is presently being served by 25 pairs of train services connecting Sitapur station to major cities like Delhi, Lucknow, Dibrugarh, Jammu Tawi, Gorakhpur, Amritsar etc. Further, introduction of new train services is an on-going process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, availability of resources etc.
