

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3756
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2024**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN

3756. SMT. MANJU SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of various ongoing railway projects in Rajasthan;**
- (b) the number of new railway lines constructed/under construction in the State;**
- (c) whether there is any project for doubling of Ajmer-Chanderiya section and providing bypass line at Marwar;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the benefits of doubling and providing bypass at this section?**

ANSWER

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

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

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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 Rajasthan are covered under North Western Railway, Northern Railway, North Central Railway, West Central Railway and Western 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, 32 Railway projects (15 New Lines, 05 Gauge Conversion and 12 Doubling), of total length of 4,191 Km costing ₹51,814 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan are at various stages of planning and implementation, out of which 1,183 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹14,785 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	15	1230	134	3593
Gauge Conversion	5	1252	759	5398
Doubling/ Multitracking	12	1709	290	5794
Total	32	4,191	1,183	14,785

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

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹682 crore/year
2024-25	₹9,959 crore (Nearly 15 times)

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

Period	New Track Commissioned	Average commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	798 Km	159.6 Km/year
2014-24	3,742 Km	374.2 Km/year (More than 2 times)

The work of doubling between Ajmer and Chanderiya section (178.28 Km) has been sanctioned at cost of ₹1634.79 crore. The project has been declared as special railway project. Land acquisition has been taken up. Doubling the existing single line section would result in removing capacity constraints, reduce detention, timely capacity building to handle future traffic growth and overall development of the region.

The work of Bypass line at Marwar (3.9 Km) has been sanctioned at cost of ₹71.21 crore and the project has been declared as special railway project. Land acquisition has been taken up. This bypass line would provide a major contribution to the socio-economic development of the area by enhancing capacity, allowing for the haulage of more goods and passenger traffic and providing better operational flexibility.