GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3884 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2024

NEW RAILWAY LINE FROM RAJAPATTI STATION IN SARAN DISTRICT OF BIHAR

† 3884 SMT. VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the site survey for laying a new railway line from Rajapatti station in Saran district of Bihar to Motipur railway station via Sahebganj in Muzaffarpur has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the time by which the construction of the new railway line is likely to be started; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTIONG 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 the Railway projects may span across State/district boundaries. Sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness, traffic projections, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes,

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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 Bihar are covered under East Central Railway, Eastern Railway, North Eastern Railway and Northeast Frontier Railway zones of Indian Railways. Zonal Railway wise details of Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay made available in public domain on Indian Railway's website.

Rajapatti and Motipur are well connected with existing Railway Network via Muzaffarpur and Chhapra. Sahebganj is a proposed station on ongoing Hajipur – Sagauli New Line project. A survey for new railway line between Rajapatti to Motipur via Sahibganj (58 Km) was carried out and the project could not be taken forward due to poor traffic projections.

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 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 Commissione d 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

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)
