

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3905
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2024**

**ONGOING RAILWAY PROJECTS/LAYING NEW RAILWAY LINES IN UTTAR
PRADESH**

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to State:

- (a) the status of the ongoing railway projects and surveys for laying new railway lines in Uttar Pradesh;**
- (b) the target set for completion of each of the said projects and surveys;**
- (c) the details of the work of the proposed Panipat-Daraula-Hastinapur-Bijnor railway line;**
- (d) the amount of money allocated and utilised on each project so far; and**
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to complete these projects on time?**

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/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.

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 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)

To improve the rail connectivity, during the last three years and the current FY 2024-25, 33 New line surveys of total length 1819 km falling fully/partly in the State of Uttar Pradesh have been sanctioned.

Panipat, Daurala and Bijnor are connected via Delhi on existing Indian Railway Network. Moreover, the surveys of Meerut-Panipat New line (104 Km) and Meerut-Hastinapur-Bijnor (63.5 Km) new line have been sanctioned.

Various steps taken by the Government for speedy approval and implementation of rail projects include (i) setting up of Gati Shakti units (ii) prioritisation of projects (iii) substantial increase in allocation of funds on priority projects (iv) delegation of powers at field level (v) close monitoring of progress of project at various levels, and (vi) regular follow up with State Governments and concerned authorities for expeditious land acquisition, forestry and Wildlife clearances and for resolving other issues pertaining to projects. This has led to substantial increase in rate of commissioning since 2014.
