

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 438  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024**

**RAIL PROJECTS FOR RAJASTHAN**

**†438 SMT. MANJU SHARMA:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) details of the rail projects sanctioned for the State of Rajasthan since 2019, zone and year-wise;**
- (b) the number of ongoing projects out of the said projects along with the details of expenditure incurred thereon so far and the steps taken by the Government for timely completion of these projects, project-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds after analysing projects of the last rail budget and sanction funds for other new projects for the State in the budget of financial year 2024-25;**
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the details of the operation of new trains declared for Rajasthan during the last three years?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

**(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 438 BY SMT. MANJU SHARMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2024 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS FOR RAJASTHAN**

**(a) to (d): Railway projects/surveys are not sanctioned State-wise/District-wise/Region-wise/Constituency-wise, but sanctioned Zone wise as Indian Railways' projects may span across State boundaries/Parliamentary Constituencies. Railway projects are taken up Zonal Railway-wise on the basis of remunerativeness, 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 projects in Rajasthan are covered by Northern Railway, North Central Railway, North Western Railway, West Central Railway and Western Railway Zones of Indian Railways. Zone wise details of Railway projects, including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**As on 01.04.2024, 32 Railway infrastructure projects (15 new lines, 05 gauge conversion and 12 doubling), costing ₹ 51814 crore for 4191 km length falling fully/partly in Rajasthan are under different stages of planning/approval/execution. Out of which 1183 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 14786 crore has been incurred upto March 2024. The summary is as under:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>No. of projects</b>	<b>Total Length (in km)</b>	<b>Length Commissioned (Km)</b>	<b>Exp upto March 2024 (₹ in cr.)</b>
<b>New lines</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1230</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>3593</b>
<b>Gauge conversion</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1252</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>5398</b>
<b>Doubling/ Multitracking</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1709</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>5794</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4,191</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>14,785</b>

Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in Budget allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects. Annual Budget allocation for Infrastructure and other works, falling fully/partly in the State of Rajasthan is as under:

<b>Period</b>	<b>Average Outlay</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>₹ 682 Cr./Yr</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>₹ 9532 Cr. (Nearly 14 times)</b>
<b>2024-25</b>	<b>₹ 9959 Cr. (Nearly 15 times)</b>

The details of commissioning/laying of new track across Indian Railways is given below:-

<b>Period</b>	<b>New Track Commissioned</b>	<b>Average commissioning of new tracks</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>798 Km</b>	<b>159.6 km/year</b>
<b>2014-24</b>	<b>3742 Km</b>	<b>374.2 km/year (More than 2 times)</b>

Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, 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 etc. All these factors affect the completion time of the project/s.**

**Various steps taken by the Government for effective and speedy implementation of rail projects include (i) substantial increase in allocation of funds, (ii) delegation of powers at field level, (iii) close monitoring of progress of project at various levels (iv) 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.**

**(e): As the Railway network straddles across State boundaries, trains are introduced, as per network requirement, across such boundaries. However, during the last 03 years, i.e. from 2022-2023 to 2024-2025 (till 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2024), 25 pairs of new train services, on Originating/Terminating basis, have been introduced catering to the needs of passengers of the stations located in the State of Rajasthan.**

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