

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.447
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

***447. SHRI PUTTA MAHESH KUMAR:
SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the railway projects proposed, under-construction and their status at present in Andhra Pradesh particularly in Eluru district;**
- (b) the details of total amount of funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised, project-wise in Andhra Pradesh particularly in Eluru district;**
- (c) the details of the timeline, if any, fixed for completion of railway projects in Andhra Pradesh especially in Eluru district, project-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has any plans for establishing any new railway lines in Andhra Pradesh particularly in Eluru district and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken any awareness/promotional campaigns regarding new railway projects in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?**

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.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF
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(a) to (e): Railway projects are sanctioned and executed Zonal Railway wise not State wise/District wise as Railway project/s may span across state boundaries. Railway projects are taken up 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, Member 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 falling fully/partly in Andhra Pradesh are covered under Southern Railway, South Central Railway, South Western Railway and East Coast Railway zones of Indian Railways. Zonal Railway wise details of projects including their cost, expenditure, outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.

As on 01.04.2024, total 41 Railway projects (17 New Lines and 24 Doubling), covering total length of 5,329 km, costing ₹73,743 crore, falling fully/partly in Andhra Pradesh are in the stage of planning/approval/execution, out of which 1006 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹24,150 crore has been incurred upto March 2024.

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Category	No. of projects	Total Length NL/GC/DL (in km)	Length Commissioned till (Km)	Total Exp upto March 2024 (Rs. in cr.)
New Lines	17	1935	184	5530
Doubling	24	3394	822	18620
TOTAL	41	5329	1006	24150

65 Surveys (13 New Line and 52 Doubling) covering a total length of 6764 kms falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh including Eluru District have been sanctioned in last three years i.e. 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and current year 2024-25.

Survey of Vijayawada-Duvvada 3rd line (335 km) has been sanctioned which passes through Eluru District.

Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in fund allocation and commensurate commissioning of projects across Indian Railways. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh is as under:

Year	Budget outlay	Increase average allocation 2009-14 w.r.t. annual during
2009-2014	₹886 cr/year (including Telangana)	-
2025-2026	₹9,417 cr	More than 10 times

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Commissioning of infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh is as under:

Period	Total Length Commissioned	Average Length Commissioned	change w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14
2009-14	363 km	72.6 km/Year (including Telangana)	-
2014-24	1,510 km	151 km/Year	More than 2 times

Completion / Execution of Railway project/s depends on various factors like 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 due to climatic conditions etc.

Informative Creatives on various Railway Projects are posted on social media handles of Zonal Railways and Indian Railways from time to time.
