

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3085
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025**

DOUBLING OF RAILWAY TRACK IN HAZARIBAGH AND RAMGARH

†3085. SHRI MANISH JAISWAL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total stretch of railway track in kilometers where doubling of the same has been completed in Jharkhand; and**
- (b) the time by which the target of doubling the railway track in Hazaribagh and Ramgarh is likely to be achieved?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) & (b) : Railway projects are surveyed/sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise/district-wise/parliamentary constituency wise as the Railway projects may span across State/district/ parliamentary constituency 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, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, demands raised by State Governments, Central Ministries, Members of Parliament, other public representatives, Railway's own operational

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requirement, socio-economic considerations including connectivity to tribal dominated areas etc. depending upon throwforward of ongoing projects and overall availability of funds.

Railway Infrastructure Projects falling fully/partly in the State of Jharkhand are covered under East Central Railway (ECR), Eastern Railway (ER) and South Eastern Railway (SER) Zones of Indian Railways. Zonal Railway wise details of Railway projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain.

As on 01.04.2024, 32 projects (11 New Lines, 01 Gauge Conversions and 20 Doubling), of total length of 3070 Km, costing ₹52,885 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Jharkhand including those which are in planning/approval/construction stage, out of which, 744 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹15,986 crore has been incurred upto March, 2024. The summary is as under:-

Category	No. projects	Total Length (in Km)	Length Commissioned till March, 2024(in Km)	Total Exp. upto March, 2024 (Rs. in Cr.)
New Lines	11	1069	156	3549
Gauge Conversion	1	159	90	184
Doubling/Multi-tracking	20	1842	497	12254
Total	32	3070	744	15986

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The details of outlay for infrastructure projects falling fully/partly in the State of Jharkhand is as under:-

Period	Outlay
2009-14	₹457 Cr./Yr
2024-25	₹7302 Cr. (approx. 16 times)

The details of commissioning/ laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Jharkhand is as under:-

Period	New Track Commissioned	Average Commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	287 Km	57.4 Km
2023-24	124 Km	124 Km (More than 2 times)

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The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for doubling of Koderma – Hazaribagh - Arigada (133 Km) section has been prepared. The cost of the project is approximately Rs.2887.11 cr. Further, Final Location Survey for doubling of Muri – Barkakana via Ramgarh (58 Km) section has been sanctioned.

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Sanctioning of project requires consultation with various stake-holders including State Governments and necessary approvals viz. appraisal of NITI Aayog, Ministry of Finance etc. Timelines can be estimated only after approval process is completed.
