

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 382  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.08.2025**

**RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN NASHIK AND PUNE**

**†\*382. SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to conduct any survey to lay a new railway line between Nashik and Pune and Manmad-Shahpur via Akola and Belapur via Nevasa-Parli Vaidyanath in Maharashtra;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said railway line is proposed to be laid; and**
- (c) the details of the progress made so far in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA  
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**(a) to (c): To improve connectivity between Pune and Nashik, following  
works/surveys have been sanctioned:-**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the Work</b>	<b>Length</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Nashik – Sainagar Shirdi New Double Line for preparation of DPR</b>	<b>82 Km</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Sainagar Shirdi - Puntamba Doubling</b>	<b>17 Km</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Puntamba – Ahilyanagar Doubling</b>	<b>77 Km</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Ahilyanagar- Pune New Double Line for preparation of DPR</b>	<b>125 Km</b>

**The physical survey work for these surveys has been completed and the  
Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been prepared.**

**After firming up of DPR, sanctioning of project requires consultation with  
various stake-holders including State Governments and necessary  
approvals viz. appraisal of NITI Aayog, Ministry of Finance etc. As  
sanctioning of projects is a continuous and dynamic process, exact  
timelines cannot be fixed.**

**To provide connectivity between Pune and Nashik via Sangamner (near  
Akole), another DPR was prepared by Maharashtra Rail Infrastructure  
Development Corporation Ltd. (MRIDC), a Joint Venture company of  
Government of Maharashtra (50%) and Ministry of Railways (50%).**

**The proposed alignment in the DPR was passing through Narayangaon  
where National Centre for Radio Astrophysics (NCRA), Pune has installed  
Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT) Observatory.**

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**GMRT has users from 31 number of countries (till 28th Cycle) that uses its services for scientific observations.**

**Deptt. of Atomic Energy has advised Ministry of Railways that the alignment is passing near the GMRT Observatory and will have potential interference and harmful impact on its operations. As such, this alignment was not found acceptable due to adverse impact on the GMRT Observatory.**

**Belapur is an existing station on Manmad – Belapur - Ahilyanagar section. To further improve the connectivity between Belapur and Parli, the following works have been sanctioned:-**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the work</b>	<b>Length</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Ahilyanagar - Beed - Parli Vaijnath New Line</b>	<b>250 Km</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Ahilyanagar - Belapur Doubling</b>	<b>67 Km</b>

**Shahpur is about 2.5 Km from existing Asangaon railway station which is located on Mumbai-Manmad route. To further improve connectivity between Manmad-Asangaon (Shahpur), following surveys have been taken up for preparation of the Detailed Project Report (DPR):-**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the work</b>	<b>Length</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Manmad – Igatpuri 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> line</b>	<b>124 Km</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Igatpuri – Kasara 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> line</b>	<b>16 Km</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Kasara – Asangaon 4<sup>th</sup> line</b>	<b>35 Km</b>

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