

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1836
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2025**

MULTI-TRACKING PROJECTS OF RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved four important multi-tracking projects of the Indian Railways;**
- (b) if so, the name of States where these projects are likely to be implemented;**
- (c) the prospects of employment generation for youth from these new projects;**
- (d) whether the Government has carried out any study from this aspect; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
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(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

(a) to (e): Railway projects are surveyed/ sanctioned/executed Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise/District wise as the Railway' projects may span across State boundaries. Sanctioning of railway project is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway and railway projects are sanctioned on the basis of remunerativeness,

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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.

During the last three years i.e. FY 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and the current FY, 184 Multi-tracking projects of total length 6,708 Km costing approx. ₹1,15,198 Crore have been sanctioned across the country.

These Multi tracking projects will enhance line capacity, provide additional passenger and freight traffic, enable faster movement of goods and services, reduce operational bottlenecks, improve logistics efficiency, increase in direct and indirect employment opportunities for the people of the region, reduces operational bottlenecks, develop tourism industry and increase industrial activities in the region.

As on 01.04.2025, across Indian Railways, 431 Railway infrastructure projects (154 New Line, 33 Gauge Conversion and 244 Doubling) of total length 35,966 Km, costing approx. ₹6.75 lakh crore are sanctioned, out of which, 12,769 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of approx. ₹2.91 lakh crore has been incurred upto March, 2025. The summary is as under:-

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Category	No of Projects	Total Length NL/GC/DL (km)	Length Commissioned till Mar'25 (km)	Total Exp upto Mar'25 (₹ in crore)
New Lines	154	16,142	3,036	1,45,318
Gauge Conversion	33	4,180	2,997	22,753
Doubling / Multitracking	244	15,644	6,736	1,22,858
Total	431	35,966	12,769	2,90,929

Zone-wise/year-wise details of all Railway projects are made available in public domain on Indian Railway's website.

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

Period	New track Commissioned	Average commissioning of new tracks
2009-14	7,599 Km	4.2 Km/day
2014-25	34,428 Km	8.57 Km/day (more than 2 times)

Some of the recently sanctioned major multitracking projects in FY 2024-25 and current FY are given below:

SN	Name of project	Cost (₹ in crore)
1	Kharsia - Naya Raipur - Parmalkasa 5th & 6th line (278 Km)	7854
2	Gondia-Ballarshah (Chanda Fort) Doubling (240 Km)	4373

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3	Narkatiaganj- Raxaul- Sitamarhi- Darbhanga & Sitamarhi- Muzaffarpur sections Doubling (256 km)	4080
4	Sambalpur-Jarapada 3rd & 4th line (127 Km)	3574
5	Bhusawal-Khandwa 3rd & 4th line (131 Km)	3285
6	Ballari-Chikjajur Doubling (185 Km)	3079
7	Koderma-Barkakana (Arigada) Doubling (133 Km)	2887
8	Jalgaon-Manmad 4th line (160 km)	2574
9	Varanasi- Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya multitracking (15 Km) including Rail cum Road Bridge across Ganga River (17 km)	2464
10	Wardha-Balharshah Quadrupling(135 Km)	2226
11	Chandil-Anara-Damodar section 3rd line(121 Km)	1932
12	Prayagraj (Iradatganj)- Manikpur 3rd line (84 Km)	1508
13	Tirupati -Pakala- Katpadi Doubling (104 Km)	1216
14	Jharsuguda-Sason 3rd & 4th line (35 Km)	1113
15	Ratlam-Nagda 3rd and 4th line project (41 Km)	964
16	Phaphamau-Unchahahar Doubling (72 Km)	899
17	Gudur-Renigunta 3rd line (83 Km)	877
