

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2880
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2025**

CONVERSION OF BROAD GAUGE LINE FROM AMRELI TO DHARI

†2880. SHRI BHARATBHAI MANUBHAI SUTARIYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to convert railway line from Amreli to Dhari into broad gauge which is likely to establish new railway connectivity from Amreli to Surat-Ahmedabad-Mumbai; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): Gauge Conversion (GC) of Khijadiya-Amreli (17 km) has been sanctioned at a cost of ₹178 crore in 2023-24. Work has been taken up. With this, Amreli will be connected to Ahmedabad-Surat-Mumbai Broad Gauge railway line via Khijadiya, Botad. Most of Amreli-Dhari-Visavadar Metre Gauge network passes through Gir National Park and is ecologically sensitive.

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 and cost of the project/s.
