### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2808 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2025

#### LINKING OF RAILWAY LINE FROM DEVGARH MADARIYA TO BILARA

†2808. SMT. MAHIMA KUMARI MEWAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal is under consideration with the Government for linking Devgarh Madariya via Baar (Haripur) to Bilara so that without land acquisition in the wildlife sanctuary area and the complexities of the mountainous ghat section, direct railway connectivity between Udaipur and Jodhpur may be re-established after 28 years and Rajsamand, Nathdwara and Jaitaran may also be directly connected with major metropolitan cities of the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether any proposal regarding this link railway line has been sent to the Government by the North Western Railway and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): Mavli- Nathdwara- Devgarh Madariya- Phulad- Marwar section (152 km) was a MG (Meter Gauge) section. The work of Gauge Conversion (GC) of Mavli-Nathdwara-Devgarh Madariya has been sanctioned and the work has been taken up.

Remaining Devgarh Madariya-Phulad-Marwar MG section passes through hilly region with sharp curves, steep gradient and through wildlife sanctuary, due to which GC is not feasible on existing alignment. Therefore, in order to provide Broad Gauge connectivity, a survey of Devgarh Madariya-Phulad- Marwar (72 Km) new line has been sanctioned for preparation of DPR.

Jaitaran is served presently by Bilara station about 30 Km away. However, to provide direct connectivity to Jaitaran, survey of Ras-Jaitaran-Bilara new line (53 Km) has been sanctioned for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR). The field survey work has been completed.

Feasibility Study for Bar-Bilara New line (47 Km) and Survey for Devgarh Madariya-Bar new line (92 Km) were conducted but these Projects have low traffic projections.

Further, sanction of any railway project depends upon many parameters/factors which include the following:

- Anticipated traffic projections and Remunerativeness of the proposed route
- First and last mile connectivity provided by the project
- Connection of missing links and providing additional route
- Augmentation of congested/saturated lines
- Demands raised by State Governments/Central Ministries/Public representatives,
- Railway's operational requirements
- Socio-economic considerations
- Overall availability of funds