GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 614 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.12.2025

BHADRACHALAN-MALKANGIRI/JEYPORE-NABARANGPUR NEW RAIL LINE

614. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the progress of Bhadrachalan-Malkangiri, Jeypore-Nabarangpur and Nabarangpur New rail line;
- (b) the details of the specific reasons for not starting the projects; and
- (c) the details of the timeline by when these projects will be commissioned?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (c): The work of new line between Junagarh and Nabarangpur (116 Km) has been sanctioned at a cost of ₹ 2,865 Cr. The project involves acquisition of 376.64 Ha private land, alienation of 58.87 Ha govt. land and diversion of 351.68 Ha forest land. The project has been notified as a 'Special Railway Project' for land acquisition. Competent Authority for Land Acquisition (CALA) has been appointed and Land acquisition has been taken up.

Nabarangpur-Jeypore (41 Km) new line project has been sanctioned on cost sharing basis at a cost of ₹ 748 Cr. The project involves acquisition of 291.87 Ha private land, alienation of 33.59 Ha govt. land and diversion of 13.47 Ha forest land. Land acquisition has been taken up by State Government as land for this project is to be provided by Govt. of Odisha. So far, out of total 338.94 Ha required land, 12.41 Ha land has been acquired. Work has been taken up on Bridge over River Indravathi.

Jeypore-Malkangiri (130 Km) new line project has been sanctioned on cost sharing basis at a cost of ₹ 2,344 Cr. The project involves acquisition of 505.43 Ha private land, alienation of 169.68 Ha govt. land and diversion of 452.71 Ha forest land. Land acquisition has been taken up. So far, out of total 1,127.82 Ha required land, 167.39 Ha land has been acquired.

The work of new line between Malkangiri – Pandurangapuram via Bhadrachalam station (174 Km) has been sanctioned at a cost of ₹ 3,592 Cr. The project involves acquisition of 403.23 Ha private land, alienation of 77.76 Ha govt. land and diversion of 320.25 Ha forest land. The project has been notified as a 'Special Railway Project' for land acquisition. Competent Authority for Land Acquisition (CALA) has been appointed and Land acquisition has been taken up.

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Budget allocation in the recent years has increased significantly. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha is as under:

Period	Outlay	
2009-14	₹ 838 Cr./year	
2025-26	₹ 10,599 Cr. (Nearly 13 times)	

The details of commissioning/laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha during 2009-14 and 2014-25 is as under:

Period	New Track	Average Commissioning of new
	Commissioned	tracks per year
2009-14	267 Km	53.4 Km
2014-25	2,150 Km	195.45 Km
		(More than 3.5 times)

As on 01.04.2025, 49 projects (19 New Lines and 30 Doubling), of a total length of 4,010 Km, costing ₹ 67,496 crore, falling fully/partly in Odisha, are sanctioned, out of which 1,429 km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹28,043 crore has been incurred upto March' 2025. The summary is as under:-

Category	No of sanctioned Projects	Total Length NL/GC/DL (in Km)	Length Commissioned till Mar'25 (in Km)	Total Exp upto Mar'25 (₹ in Cr)
New Lines	19	1,544	256	6,270
Doubling/Multi- tracking	30	2,466	1,173	21,773
Total	49	4,010	1,429	28,043

Details of some of the recently completed projects falling fully/partly in Odisha are as under:

S.No.	Name of Project	Cost
		(In Crores of ₹)
1	Daitari-Banspani New Line and Jakhapura- Haridaspur 3 rd Line (179 Km)	1,317
2	MCL siding from Jharsuguda - Sardega New Line (53 Km)	1,598

S.No.	Name of Project	Cost
		(In Crores of ₹)
3	Haridaspur-Paradeep New Line (82 Km)	2,397
4	Angul-Sukinda New Line (104 Km)	2,834
5	Champa-Jharsuguda 3 rd Line (152 Km)	1,227
6	Sambalpur-Titlagarh Doubling (182 Km)	2,262
7	Rourkela-Jharsuguda 3 rd Line (101 Km)	1,313
8	Banspani-Daitari-Tomka-Jakhapura Doubling (164 Km)	1,827
9	Sambalpur-Talcher Doubling (174 Km)	1,539
10	Raipur - Titlagarh Doubling (203 Km)	1,171
11	Jharsuguda-Sardega Doubling (50 Km)	3,200

Further, some of the main projects falling fully/partly in Odisha which have been taken up are as under:

S.No.	Name of Project	Total Cost
		(In Crores of ₹)
1	Junagarh-Nabarangpur New Line (116 Km)	2,865
2	Nabarangpur-Jeypore New Line (41 Km)	748
3	Jeypore-Malkangiri New Line (130 Km)	2,344
4	Malkangiri – Pandurangapuram New Line (174 Km)	3,592
5	Buramara-Chakulia New Line (60 Km)	1,459
6	Gunupur-Therubali New Line (74 Km)	1,166
7	Puri - Konark New Line (32 Km)	492
8	Badampahar-Kendujhargarh New Line (82 Km)	1,876
9	Bangriposi-Gorumahisani New Line (86 Km)	2,269
10	Bargarh Road-Nawapara Road New Line (138 Km)	2,622
11	Vizianagram-Titlagarh 3 rd Line (265 Km)	6,996
12	Jarapaada- Budhapank 3 rd & 4 th Line with flyover at Talcher (101 Km)	810
13	Budhapank- Salegaon via Rajatgarh 3 rd & 4 th Line (170 Km)	2,023
14	Nergundi - Vizianagaram 3 rd Line (385 Km)	4,963
15	Kottavalasa-Koraput Doubling (189 Km)	2,500
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S.No.	Name of Project	Total Cost (In Crores of ₹)
16	Koraput-Singapur Road Doubling (165 Km)	2,362
17	Jagdalpur-Koraput Doubling (107 Km)	1,547
18	Jharsuguda-Bilaspur 4 th line (206 Km)	2,596
19	Bondamunda-Ranchi Doubling (159 Km)	3,029
20	Narayangarh-Bhadrak 3 rd line (153 Km)	2,136
21	Bhadrak-Nergundi 3 rd Line (92 Km)	1,284

During last three years i.e. 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and current Financial Year i.e. 2025-26, total 76 Nos. of Surveys (30 New Line, 46 Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha having a total length of 4,843 Km have been sanctioned.

Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors which include the following:

- Land acquisition
- Forest clearance
- Shifting of infringing utilities
- Statutory clearances from various authorities
- Geological and topographical conditions of area
- Law and order situation in the area of project 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.
