

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2173  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015**

**CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY LINES**

**2173. SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:**

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

- (a) the total funds allocated and spent on the construction of railway lines in the North-Eastern (NE) States during the last three years, State-wise;**
- (b) whether the length of railway lines per square kilometer in NE region is lesser than the national average; and**
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Railways to bridge this gap?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

**(a): Funds allocated and spent for the projects of new lines, gauge conversion and doubling in North Eastern Region during the last three years are as under:**

<b>2012-13</b>	<b>₹ 2279 crore</b>
<b>2013-14</b>	<b>₹ 3392 crore</b>
<b>2014-15</b>	<b>₹ 5200 crore</b>

**(b) & (c): Yes, Madam. Against a national average of 20 km/1000 sq. km. railway network density, North Eastern States have an average railway network density of 10.1 km/1000 sq. km. 12 new line works have been taken up in North Eastern Region having a total length of 1248 km at a total cost of ₹ 38416 crore. An increased outlay of ₹ 5338 crore has been provided in 2015-16 for speedier execution of projects in North Eastern Region.**

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