

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3327
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2015**

NEW PROJECTS IN RAILWAYS

3327. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal to sanction Bhadrachalam road (A.P.)-Malkangiri-Jeypore-Junagarh-Lanjigar Road-Talcher-Bimlagarh, Jeypore-Malkangiri (130 Kms.), Jeypore-Nabarangpur (38 Kms.), Bargarh-Nuapada via Padmapur (120 Kms.), Talcher-Gopalpur (245 Kms.), Puri-Konark (35 Kms.), Rupsa-Bangirposi to Gorumahisani (35 Kms.), Badampahar to Keonjhar (70 Kms.), Berhampur-Phulban (169 Kms.), Khurda road-Rajathgarh bypassing Bhubaneshwar (59 Kms.), Rayagada-Gopalpur via Gunupur-Bhismagiri and Digapahandi, and Gunupu-Theruvali-Raygada (79 Kms.) rail line projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3327 BY SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2015 REGARDING NEW PROJECTS IN RAILWAYS.

(a) to (c): Junagarh-Lanjigarh Road and Talcher-Bimlagarh New Line projects have already been sanctioned and the work taken up.

The Surveys for Junagarh-Jeypore-Malkangiri-Bhadrachalam (390 Km), Lanjigarh -Talcher (230 Km), Bargarh-Nuapada-via-Padmapur (120 Km) and Berhampur-Phulbani (169 Km) New Line Projects have been taken up.

Status of remaining surveys/proposals are as under:

| S. No | Name of Survey/ Proposal | Present Status |
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| 1 | Jeypore-Malkangiri (130 Km) and Jeypore-Nabarangpur (38 km) | Surveys for Jeypore-Malkangiri and Jeypore-Nabarangpur were completed in 2012-13 and the cost assessed as ₹1189 and ₹485 respectively. |
| 2 | Talcher-Gopalpur(293) | Survey was completed in 2001-02 and the cost of the project was assessed as ₹863 crore. |
| 3 | Puri-Konark(32.6km) | Updating survey has been completed in 2015 and the cost of the project has been assessed as ₹254.41 cr. |
| 4 | Rupsa-Bangriposi to Gorumahisani (41.75km) | Survey completed for a new line between Bangriposi & Gorumahisani and the cost of the project has been assessed ₹521.64 crore. |

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| 5 | Badampahar-Keonjhar (80) | Survey completed in 2011-12 and the cost of the project was assessed as ₹619 crore. |
| 6 | Khurda Road-Rajathgarh bypassing Bhubaneswar (81.65 km) | Survey has been completed and the cost of the project has been assessed as ₹643.82 crore. |
| 7 | Rayagada-Gopalpur via Gunupur, Bhismagiri & digapahadi (223 km) | Survey has been completed in 2011-12 and the cost of the project has been assessed as ₹1649 crore |
| 8 | Gunupur-theruvali-Rayagada (79 km) | Updating survey for extension of Naupada-Gunupur line upto Theruvali(79km) has been completed in 2013-14 and the cost of project has been assessed as ₹435 crore. However, a Broad Gauge railway line already exists between Theruvali & Rayagada. |

All the above projects could not be taken up due to their unremunerative nature, huge throwforward of ongoing projects, limited availability of funds for new lines and competing priorities.

(c): Survey requires interaction with various departments of State Government, District Administration, trade & industries, etc. for assessment of traffic projection. It also involves preparation of plan, drawing, calculation of cost, rate of return, etc. Since this is an extensive exercise, no time-frame has been fixed for completion of remaining surveys.
