

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 476  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2026**

**HOWRAH-BALLY-DANKUNI-HOOGHLY CORRIDOR**

**476. SMT. RACHNA BANERJEE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken or proposes to undertake capacity augmentation works on the Howrah-Bally-Dankuni-Hooghly corridor, including additional lines, yard remodelling and terminal infrastructure development and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the present status of the Dankuni coaching terminal and freight handling expansion project including the expected date of commencement and completion of the works;**
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the likely increase in suburban train frequency and freight handling capacity after completion of the ongoing and proposed projects on the corridor and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the details of funds allocated for railway infrastructure projects in the Howrah-Hooghly section of Eastern Railway during the financial years 2025-26 and 2026-27?**

**ANSWER**

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

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**(a) to (d): The capacity augmentation works across Indian Railways are planned and executed based on traffic trends, operational & maintenance requirements and requirements for further development.**

**The following Yard capacity augmentation works have been undertaken in Howrah-Dankuni area:**

- i. Howrah Yard remodelling work involving installation of new interlocking system, extension of 4 platforms and construction of service building at a sanctioned cost of Rs. 92.85 Cr.**

- ii. **Dankuni Yard remodelling work involving extension of existing shunting line and upgradation of signalling/ interlocking arrangements at a sanctioned cost of Rs. 27.18 Cr.**

**Also, preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Dankuni coaching terminal has been taken up.**

**Trains serving Howrah-Dankuni sector:**

**At present, Howrah-Dankuni sector is being served by following 113 regular services and 01 special service which are as under: -**

| <b>SN</b> | <b>Train Name and Number</b>       |
|-----------|------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>  | <b>68121 Howrah -Purulia MEMU</b>  |
| <b>2</b>  | <b>68122 Purulia -Howrah MEMU</b>  |
| <b>3</b>  | <b>32211 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>32212 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>5</b>  | <b>32213 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>32214 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>32215 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>32216 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>32217 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>10</b> | <b>32218 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>11</b> | <b>32219 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>12</b> | <b>32220 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>13</b> | <b>32221 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>14</b> | <b>32222 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |

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| <b>15</b> | <b>32223 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>16</b> | <b>32224 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>17</b> | <b>32225 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>18</b> | <b>32226 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>19</b> | <b>32227 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>20</b> | <b>32228 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>21</b> | <b>32229 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>22</b> | <b>32230 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>23</b> | <b>32231 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>24</b> | <b>32232 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>25</b> | <b>32233 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>26</b> | <b>32234 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>27</b> | <b>32235 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>28</b> | <b>32236 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>29</b> | <b>32237 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>30</b> | <b>32238 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>31</b> | <b>32239 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>32</b> | <b>32240 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>33</b> | <b>32241 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |
| <b>34</b> | <b>32242 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>35</b> | <b>32243 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b> |

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| <b>36</b> | <b>32245 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b>   |
| <b>37</b> | <b>32246 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b>   |
| <b>38</b> | <b>32247 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b>   |
| <b>39</b> | <b>32248 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b>   |
| <b>40</b> | <b>32249 Sealdah - Dankuni EMU</b>   |
| <b>41</b> | <b>32250 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b>   |
| <b>42</b> | <b>32252 Dankuni - Sealdah EMU</b>   |
| <b>43</b> | <b>32411 Sealdah - Baruipara EMU</b> |
| <b>44</b> | <b>32412 Baruipara - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>45</b> | <b>32413 Sealdah - Baruipara EMU</b> |
| <b>46</b> | <b>32414 Baruipara - Sealdah EMU</b> |
| <b>47</b> | <b>36011 Howrah - Baruipara EMU</b>  |
| <b>48</b> | <b>36012 Baruipara - Howrah EMU</b>  |
| <b>49</b> | <b>36031 Howrah - Chandanpur EMU</b> |
| <b>50</b> | <b>36032 Chandanpur - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>51</b> | <b>36033 Howrah - Chandanpur EMU</b> |
| <b>52</b> | <b>36034 Chandanpur - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>53</b> | <b>36035 Howrah - Chandanpur EMU</b> |
| <b>54</b> | <b>36036 Chandanpur - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>55</b> | <b>36037 Howrah - Chandanpur EMU</b> |
| <b>56</b> | <b>36038 Chandanpur - Howrah EMU</b> |

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| <b>57</b> | <b>36071 Howrah - Gurap EMU</b>     |
| <b>58</b> | <b>36072 Gurap - Howrah EMU</b>     |
| <b>59</b> | <b>36081 Howrah - Masagram EMU</b>  |
| <b>60</b> | <b>36082 Masagram - Howrah EMU</b>  |
| <b>61</b> | <b>36083 Howrah - Masagram EMU</b>  |
| <b>62</b> | <b>36084 Masagram - Howrah EMU</b>  |
| <b>63</b> | <b>36085 Howrah - Masagram EMU</b>  |
| <b>64</b> | <b>36086 Masagram - Howrah EMU</b>  |
| <b>65</b> | <b>36087 Howrah - Masagram EMU</b>  |
| <b>66</b> | <b>36088 Masagram - Howrah EMU</b>  |
| <b>67</b> | <b>36811 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>68</b> | <b>36812 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>69</b> | <b>36813 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>70</b> | <b>36814 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>71</b> | <b>36815 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>72</b> | <b>36816 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>73</b> | <b>36817 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>74</b> | <b>36818 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>75</b> | <b>36819 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>76</b> | <b>36820 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>77</b> | <b>36821 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |

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| <b>78</b> | <b>36822 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>79</b> | <b>36823 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>80</b> | <b>36824 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>81</b> | <b>36825 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>82</b> | <b>36826 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>83</b> | <b>36827 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>84</b> | <b>36828 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>85</b> | <b>36829 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>86</b> | <b>36831 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>87</b> | <b>36832 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
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| <b>89</b> | <b>36834 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>90</b> | <b>36835 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>91</b> | <b>36836 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
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| <b>95</b> | <b>36840 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>96</b> | <b>36841 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |
| <b>97</b> | <b>36842 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b> |
| <b>98</b> | <b>36843 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b> |

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| <b>99</b>  | <b>36844 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>100</b> | <b>36845 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>101</b> | <b>36846 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>102</b> | <b>36847 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>103</b> | <b>36848 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>104</b> | <b>36849 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>105</b> | <b>36850 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>106</b> | <b>36851 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>107</b> | <b>36852 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>108</b> | <b>36853 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>109</b> | <b>36854 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>110</b> | <b>36855 Howrah - Bardhaman EMU</b>           |
| <b>111</b> | <b>36856 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>112</b> | <b>36858 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>113</b> | <b>36860 Bardhaman - Howrah EMU</b>           |
| <b>114</b> | <b>08047 Santragachi - Naharlagun Special</b> |

**Besides, introduction of new train services is an on-going process, which depends on various factors including-**

- **Capacity of that section**
- **Availability of path**
- **Availability of required rolling stock**
- **Availability of matching infrastructure for rolling stock**
- **Maintenance requirement of railway tracks and other assets.**
- **Occupancy and the traffic requirement of the section.**

**Additionally, 6 freight trains per day ply over the Howrah–Dankuni section, and 4 freight trains per day ply over the Howrah–Hooghly section.**

**To decongest and improve mobility of both passenger and freight trains in the section, following works have been taken up:**

| <b>S.N.</b> | <b>Name of Work</b>                                                     | <b>Status</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>1</b>    | <b>Dankuni-Baltikuri 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> line (17 Km)</b> | <b>Project has been sanctioned in 2025-26 at a cost of Rs. 428 Cr.<br/>Project has been declared as Special Railway project for land acquisition.<br/>Competent Authority for Land Acquisition (CALA) has been appointed.<br/>Land acquisition has been taken up.</b> |
| <b>2</b>    | <b>Chandanpur -Saktigarh 4<sup>th</sup> line (43 Km)</b>                | <b>Project has been sanctioned in 2024-25 at a cost of Rs. 700 Cr.<br/>Land acquisition has been taken up.</b>                                                                                                                                                        |

**A new Dedicated Freight Corridor connecting Dankuni in East to Surat in West, has been announced in the Union Budget 2026. The work of preparation/ updation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for this corridor has been taken up.**

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