

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 612
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2026**

PATHANKOT - JOGINDER NAGAR NARROW GAUGE RAILWAY LINE

†612. DR. RAJEEV BHARADWAJ:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the process of a traffic study has been initiated for converting the Pathankot-Joginder Nagar narrow gauge railway line into broad gauge;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the work order has been given to a private company to conduct the said traffic study; and**
- (d) if so, the details of timeline including the timeline fixed for completion of the said traffic study?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) : Survey of Gauge Conversion of existing Pathankot – Joginder Nagar narrow gauge section (200 Km) has been sanctioned for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR). A professional agency has been engaged for this work. The field survey and traffic study have been completed and preparation of DPR has been taken up.

After preparation of DPR, project requires consultation with various stakeholders including State Governments and necessary approvals viz. appraisal of NITI Aayog, Ministry of Finance etc. As consultation with stakeholders is a continuous and dynamic process, exact timelines cannot be fixed.
