

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2709  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2024**

**PROPOSED RAILWAY LINES PROJECTS FROM AYODHYA AND  
AMBEDKAR NAGAR**

**†2709. SHRI LALJI VERMA:**

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

- (a) the year-wise number of new railway lines constructed from 2019 to till date in the country, especially in Ayodhya and Ambedkar Nagar of Uttar Pradesh along with the number of new trains introduced;**
- (b) the number of projects announced for Ayodhya and Ambedkar Nagar districts since 2019 to till date; and**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to formulate a new project to connect Basti district to Akabarpur Tanda of Ambedkar Nagar and if so, the timeline set for its completion?**

**ANSWER**

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

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2709 BY SHRI LALJI VERMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.08.2024 REGARDING PROPOSED RAILWAY LINES PROJECTS FROM AYODHYA AND AMBEDKAR NAGAR**

**(a) to (c): The Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not State wise/District wise as the Railways' projects may span across state boundaries.**

**During the period 2019-20 till the current year 2024-25, 23 New Line projects of total length 1428 km costing ₹32,650 crore have been commissioned across Indian Railways including Ayodhya and Ambedkar Nagar. In addition, 126 Multi-tracking projects of total length 9,235 km, costing ₹1,37,849 crore and 19 Gauge conversion projects of total length 2,784 km costing ₹19,370 crore were commissioned during the same period.**

**Recently, capacity augmentation projects i.e. Doubling of Barabanki-Akbarpur (161 Km) and Jaunpur- Akbarpur (Tanda) (77 Km) have been commissioned which fall fully /partly in Ayodhya and Ambedkar Nagar districts.**

**As on 01.04.2024, across Indian Railways, 488 Railway Infrastructure projects (187 New Line, 40 Gauge Conversion and 261 Doubling) of total length 44,488 Km, costing approx. ₹7.44 lakh crore are in planning/approval/construction stage, out of which, 12,045 Km length has been commissioned and an expenditure of approx. ₹2.92 lakh crore has been incurred upto March, 2024.**

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**Zone-wise/year-wise details of all Railway Projects including cost, expenditure and outlay are made available in public domain on Indian Railways website.**

**The details of commissioning of New Lines, Gauge Conversion and Doubling sections across Indian Railways is given below:-**

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Length Commissioned</b>	<b>Average Length Commissioned</b>	<b>Increase w.r.t. average commissioning during 2009-14</b>
<b>2009-14</b>	<b>7,599 km</b>	<b>4.2 km/day</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2014-24</b>	<b>31,180 km</b>	<b>8.54 km/day</b>	<b>More than 2 times</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>5,309 km</b>	<b>14.54 km/day</b>	<b>More than 3 times</b>

**Since the year 2019, 05 pairs of trains including 03 pairs of Vande Bharat Express viz. 22549/50 Gorakhpur-Prayagraj Vande Bharat Express, 22425/26 Ayodhya Cantt-Anand Vihar (T) Vande Bharat Express and 22345/46 Patna-Gomtinagar Vande Bharat Express have been introduced to cater to the needs of passengers of Ayodhya Dham. Introduction of new train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to traffic justification, operational feasibility, and availability of resources etc.**

**During the period 2019-20 till current Financial Year, 11 projects (1 New Line and 10 Doubling) of total length 696 km costing approx. ₹9010 crore falling fully/partly in the state of Uttar Pradesh have been included in the Budget and during the same period, 25 projects (03 New Line, 02 Gauge Conversion and 20 Doubling) of total length 702 km costing approx. ₹5157 Crore have been sanctioned. Some of these sanctioned projects passing through Ayodhya and Ambedkar Nagar districts are Bypass line at Ayodhya (1.5 km) and Chord Line (6 km) at Ayodhya Cantt (between Salarpur-Masodha). Besides these, 157 stations in the State of Uttar Pradesh, including Ayodhya Dham, Bharatkund, Darshannagar and Ramghat Halt in Ayodhya district and Akbarpur Jn in Ambedkar Nagar district have been identified for development under the Amrit Bharat Station scheme.**

**Akbarpur, Tanda and Basti are already connected via Ayodhya & Mankapur on Indian Railway Network. However, a survey of Chord Line between Tanda-Akbarpur - Katahri (4 km) has been sanctioned for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR). However, sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Railway Infrastructure Projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon liabilities of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands.**