

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1540  
ANSWERED ON:11.12.2003  
RAIL PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA  
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

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

- (a) the present status of each of the new/on-going and pending rail projects and surveys in Karnataka;
- (b) the amount allocated and expenditure incurred thereon so far, project-wise;
- (c) the target fixed for completion of these projects, project-wise;
- (d) whether these projects are running as per the schedule;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) the steps taken by the Government for timely completion of these projects;
- (g) whether the Government has also received request for new rail projects in Karnataka; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on each proposal?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL )

(a) to (h) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (h) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1540 BY SHRI G. PUTTASWAMY GOWDA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11.12.2003 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS IN KARNATAKA.

(a) to (c): Details of on-going/pending projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka, their present status, amount allocated and the target date for their completion, wherever fixed, is given as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	PROJECT	Cost	Likely Expenditure	Budget Outlay	Status
		2003-04	upto March 2003		
NEW LINES					
1	Munirabad-Mehbubnagar	420.12	16.43	10	Final Location Survey has been completed. State Government has been requested for reserving the land required for this new line project. Track linking between Yeramaras and Krishna has been completed. Work on Krishna Bridge is in progress.
2	Gadwal-Raichur	108.91	4.1	5	Final Location Survey has been completed. Land acquisition has been processed. Joint survey for 36.35 km. in Mehbubnagar District and 12 km. in Raichur District has been completed. Rs. 1.76 crore and Rs. 1.90 crore have been deposited with Government of Karnataka and with Government of Andhra Pradesh, respectively for land acquisition. Construction of

Foot over Bridge and platform at Gadwal is in progress. Earthwork and minor bridges from Gadwal end in 5 km length is in progress.

3	Hubli-Ankola	997.58	37.17	15	Final location survey has been completed. Land acquisition plans have been submitted to the State Government for Hubli-Kirvatti section and Rs. 14 crore deposited with the State Government towards land acquisition. Earthwork and bridges are in progress. This project has been identified as one of the four Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Limited (K-RIDE) projects.
4	Gulbarga-Bidar	460	5.33	15	Final location survey has been completed. Land acquisition papers for 14.30 Km has been submitted to State Government and Rs. 10 crore has been deposited with State Government towards cost of land. Tenders for earthwork and bridges processed for part length.
5	Kottur-Harihar via Harappannahalli	124.03	2.17	5	Final location survey has been completed and land acquisition paper for 16 out of 31 villages has been submitted to State Government and possession of 6 villages taken over. Rs. 2.08 crore deposited with them towards cost of land. Earthwork and minor bridges for 4 reaches (25 km) are in progress. State Government has agreed to share 2/3rd cost of this project.
6	Kadur-Chickmagalur-Saklesphur	157	16.77	15	220 hectares of land out of 240 hectares has been acquired. Balance is forest land for which acquisition process is in progress. Earthwork and minor bridges in 45 Km stretch are in progress.
7	Hassan-Bangalore	412.91	82.4	26	Land is available between Hassan and Shravanabelagola (43 km) and Bangalore to Neelamangala (16 km). Rs. 35.6 crore has been deposited with state Government towards cost of land. Earthwork, bridges etc. are in progress. Hassan-Shravanabelagola is targeted for completion during 2003-04.
8	Bangalore-Satyamanglam	225	0.45	0.1	Final Location Survey has been completed from Bangalore to Chamrajanagar (via Kanakapura - 162 km) and is in progress in balance portion. Survey work has slowed down due to hostile situation in forest area.

#### GAUGE CONVERSION

9	Solapur (Hotgi)-Gadag	276	162.78	10	The work is being done in phases. Work on Solapur-Hotgi (16 km) and Hotgi-Bijapur (94 km) has been completed. Work is in progress on rest of section from Bijapur to Gadag. State Government is participating to the extent of 50% in funding the project with a view to expedite early completion of this work.
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10	Mysore- Chamarajanagar	175	2.5	20	Earthwork, major and minor bridges are in progress.
11	Bangalore- Hubli & Birur- Shimoga	432.08	398.41	0.01	The work on the line between Bangalore-Hubli and Birur-Shimoga has been completed and commissioned. Work is in progress on Shimoga-Talguppa section. Earthwork and bridges are in progress.
12	Yeswantpur - Salem	178.26	175.82	0.01	Road Over Bridge at Lingarajapuram & Bansawadi are in progress. Work on Yeswantpur Bye-pass line has also been taken up and the matter is being pursued with the Ministry of Defence for transfer of defence land.
13	Arasikere- Hassan- Mangalore	312.43	218.5	2	The gauge conversion of Arasikere-Hassan-Sakleshpur and Kankanadi (Mangalore) to Kabakaputtur has already been completed. The conversion of Kabakaputtur to Subramanya Road is targeted for completion during 2003-04 and balance is expected to be completed during 2004-05 depending upon the provision of funds by the shareholders. This project is under implementation by K-RIDE for which Hassan-Mangalore Rail Development Co. (HMRDC) has been formed.

DOUBLING

14	Hospet- Guntakal	154.14	56.42	35	Final location survey has been completed. This project is also identified under KRIDE with a view to expedite the progress. Earthwork and bridges in Bellary-Tornagallu section is in progress. This section is targeted for completion during 2003-04.
15	Bangalore- Kengeri with Elect.	27.89	2.19	5	Karnataka Government is sharing 2/3 cost of the project. Earthwork, major, minor bridges and ballast collection etc. are in progress.
16	Kengeri- Ramnagaram	64.54	0.02	5	Karnataka Government is sharing 2/3 cost of the project. Final location survey has been completed. Earthwork, minor bridges and ballast collection etc. are in progress. Ballast collection is also in progress.
17	Yeshwantpur- Tumkur	91.82	10.15	19.56	Earthwork, minor bridges and panel interlocking works are in progress. Foundation work on major bridge on river Arkavathi has been completed.
18	Bangalore- Whitefield- Bangalore City- Krishnarajapuram	85	0.02	0.01	Work will be taken up after obtaining necessary clearances.
19	Whitefield- Kuppam	162.23	107.23	27	First phase from Whitefield to Bangarapet and Bangarpet Yard has been completed and commissioned. Work on Bangarpet-Bisanatham is nearing completion and Bisanatham-Kuppam is targeted for completion during 2003-04 where

earthwork, bridge work and ballast collection have been completed. Supply of P. Way material is in progress.

20 Calicut- 563.08 505.99 25 Work completed except Cannanore-  
Mangalore Valapattanam and Netravathi  
bridge.

A survey for construction of new rail line from Nilambur Road to Nanjangud is in progress. This survey is expected to be completed by March, 2004.

(d): The projects are being progressed as per the availability of resources.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): A number of initiatives have been taken to augment resources for expediting completion of the ongoing projects. These include sharing by State Governments, Public/Private Partnership, funding from Ministry of Defence, additional resources for National Project of Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla and funds for National Rail Vikas Yojana. With these efforts, it may be feasible to expedite the progress of projects.

(g) & (h): The details of some of the proposals received from the State Government which could not be considered for inclusion in the budget due to heavy throwforward of on-going projects and acute constraint of resources are as under:-

- i. New line between Gadag and Harihar via Harpanahalli.
- ii. New line between Mysore and Mangalore.
- iii. New line between Medikere and Channarayapatna.
- iv. New line between Chickballapur and Puttaparthi via Bagepalli.