

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:646
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2005
GAUGE CONVERSION
Baxla Shri Joachim

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of metre gauge rail lines in the country, as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the name of places having metre gauge rail lines;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to convert these metre gauge lines into broad gauge;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which these metre gauge rail lines are likely to be converted into broad gauge?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS(a) to(e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.646 BY SHRI JOACHIM BAXLA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 28.07.2005 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION.

(a) The State-wise length (route kilometres) of metre gauge rail lines in the country as on 31.3.2004 (latest available) is given below:-

S.No	Name of State	Length of MG lines (in Route Kilometre)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	508
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1
3.	Assam	1289
4.	Bihar	1235
5.	Delhi	22
6.	Gujarat	1814
7.	Haryana	318
8.	Karnataka	472
9.	Kerala	117
10.	Madhya Pradesh	500
11.	Maharashtra	445
12.	Manipur	1
13.	Mizoram	2
14.	Nagaland	2
15.	Rajasthan	2413
16.	Tamil Nadu	1955
17.	Tripura	64
18.	Uttar Pradesh	1767
19.	Uttaranchal	61
20.	West Bengal	304
	TOTAL:	13290

Note: The remaining States/Union Territories do not have Metre Gauge rail lines.

- (b) There is a vast network of metre gauge lines connecting various places in the country.
- (c) There is at present no proposal to convert all the metre gauge lines into broad gauge.

(d) & (e) Do not arise.