

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1139  
ANSWERED ON:15.07.2004  
DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY IN J&K  
Gadakh Shri Tukaram Gangadhar

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

- (a) the present status of Railway Project in Jammu & Kashmir as announced by the Government;
- (b) the details of steps Government is taking for speedy implementation of the project;
- (c) the details of the areas of this State are likely to be connected by Railways after completion of this project;
- (d) whether the project is delayed due to non-cooperation of various departments of State Government and Railway Ministry; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

**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 THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1139 BY SHRI TUKARAM GANGADHAR GADAKH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.07.2004 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAY IN J&K.

(a)The present status of ongoing Railway projects in Jammu & Kashmir is as under:-

S.No. Name of Project Present Status

New Lines

1. Jammu-Udhampur (53.6 kms) The work has been completed and departmental goods traffic is running on this section.
2. Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla (287 kms) The work has been taken up in phases and the progress is given as under:-

i)Udhampur-Katra (km. 0-25): Earthwork, tunnelling and major/minor bridge works are in progress. The target date for completion of this section is December, 2005.

ii) Katra-Qazigund (km. 25-167): For km. 25-30, land acquisition has been completed and tunnelling work is in progress. For Km. 30-167, land acquisition,

detailed construction survey is in progress. Tunnelling work is in progress between km. 30-50, where land is made available. The target date for completion of this section is 15.8.2007.

iii) Qazigund-Baramulla (km. 167-287): Earthwork, bridge works, etc. are in progress. Out of 14,898 kanals of land, 14,676 kanals of land has been acquired. This section is targetted for completion during 2005-06.

#### Doubling

1. Jalandhar-Jammu Tawi The work is in full swing and three sections viz. Suchipind-Bhogpur-Sirwal (26 kms), Mukerian-Mirthal (18kms) and Bharoli-Madhampur Punjab (13 kms) are targeted for completion during 2004-05. The whole project is targeted for completion during 2007-08.

(b) : The new line work of Udampur-Srinagar-Baramulla project has been entrusted to M/s IRCON International Ltd. and Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. for speedy implementation. The requisite funds for the project are being provided as an additionality to the normal Railway's Plan.

(c) : The proposed new railway line from Jammu to Baramulla will pass through Udampur, Katra, Reasi, Sangaldan, Laole, Qazigund, Srinagar and Baramulla.

(d) : No, Sir. However, there has been delay in handing over possession of land by State Govt.

(e) : Does not arise.