

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1198
ANSWERED ON:10.03.2005
RAIL PROJECTS IN PUNJAB
Dhindsa Shri Sukhdev Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of on-going rail projects in Punjab at present with regard to constructing of new rail lines and conversion of narrow gauge into broad gauge; and

(b) the status of each projects as on date?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1198 BY SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.03.2005 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS IN PUNJAB.

(a) & (b) : There is no gauge conversion project in Punjab. The details of on-going new rail line projects falling partly/fully in Punjab are as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

S.No.	Project	Anticipated cost upto March, 2004	Expenditure upto 2004	Budget outlay 2004-05	Status
PUNJAB					
New lines					
1.	Nangal Dam-Talwara and taking over Siding of Mukerian-Talwara	210.00	81.46	11.00	Nangal Dam-Una-Churaru Takrala has been completed. The work of Churaru Takrala-Amb Andura (11 kms.) has been and land acquisition on this section is in progress.
2.	Taran Goindwal	37.51	5.10	1.00	Final location survey has been completed and land acquisition is in progress. An amount of Rs. 10.02 crore has been paid to the State Govt. for land acquisition. Work will be taken up once land is handed over to the Railways.
3.	Chandigarh-Ludhiana.	371.97	129.85	20.00	The construction of rail line between Chandigarh-Morinda (45 kms.) is targeted for completion during 2005-06. In the next phase, the work of Ludhiana-Sahnewal is planned to be taken up.
4.	Abohar-Fazilka	86.44	6.91	1.00	Final location survey has been completed and land acquisition is in progress. Work will be taken up once

land is handed over to the
Railways

5. Beas to Dera 4.07 - 0.01
Baba Jaimal
Singh.

The project was sanctioned with the proviso that Dera Authorities would provide land free of cost and also to carry out earthwork at their own cost. The work would be taken up after the agreement is signed and land made available by Dera Authorities.