

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:709  
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2010  
GAUGE CONVERSION UNDER EASTERN RAILWAY  
Kishor Shri Kamal

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

- (a) whether gauge conversion work of Bahraich-Nanpara Rupaideeha railway line under Eastern Railway is being undertaken during the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed;
- (c) whether proposal to extend railway station falling under this line and increase in passenger amenities is under consideration;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.709 BY SHRI KAMAL KISHOR "COMMANDO" TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29-07-2010 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION UNDER EASTERN RAILWAY.

(a): Bahraich- Nanpara- Nepalganj Road (near Rupidiha) is on North Eastern Railway. The gauge conversion of this line is not sanctioned.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (e): Various facilities for augmenting passenger amenities at Bahraich, Risia, Matera and Nanpara railway stations on Bahraich-Nanpara-Rupaideeha section as given below have been provided in the recent past:

Station    Facilities provided

Bahraich Improvement to waiting room and retiring room, improvement to platform surface, provision of benches, provision of additional hydrants, etc.

Risia Improvement of waiting hall, unreserved ticketing system (UTS) with booking counters, provision of benches, etc.,

Matera Improvement to platform surface and circulating area, UTS with booking counters.

Nanpara Improvement platform surface and circulating area, UTS, pay and use toilets, etc.

Provision of passenger amenities at stations is a continuous process undertaken by Railways.