

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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RENEWAL OF TRACKS  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of railway lines in the country on which renewal work is going on;
- (b) whether the said work is going on at a very slow pace due to paucity of funds; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Railways to address this problem?

**Answer**

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

(a) Track renewal is a continuous activity, which is undertaken as and when a stretch of track becomes due for renewal on the basis of Gross Million Tonnes carried or on condition basis. Track renewal is taken up for long as well as for short patches according to need. Approximately 5794 km of track renewal (in Complete Track Renewal Units) are sanctioned as on 01.04.2011. Out of this, Track Renewal of 3000 km has been targeted for completion during 2011-12, and progress of 1706 km has been achieved up to October, 2011.

(b)&(c) During 2011-12, against proportionate target of 1574 km, a progress of 1706 km track renewal has been achieved up to October, 2011. Track renewal works are prioritized according to the need and funds availability keeping in view safe train operation as the topmost priority.