

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5550  
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2012  
RAILWAY PROJECTS IN GUJARAT  
Thakor Shri Jagdish

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

- (a) the details and the present status of the ongoing/pending railway projects in Gujarat along with the time since which these are pending alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (b) the funds allocated/spent thereon, project-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to complete the said projects within a stipulated time-frame?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5550 BY SHRI JAGDISH THAKOR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.05.2012 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN GUJARAT.

(a) & (b): At present, 2 new line, 5 gauge conversion and 6 doubling projects falling partly/fully in Gujarat are in various stages of progress. The project-wise details, their present status and funds allocated/spent thereon so far is as under:

Besides above ongoing projects, gauge conversion of Botad-Ahmedabad (170.48 km) and Dhasa-Jetalsar (104.44 km) have also been proposed for inclusion in the Budget 2012-13.

(c): Due to large number of ongoing railway projects and limited availability of resources, it has not been possible to allocate adequate funds to all the projects. Funds are allocated keeping in view the relative priority of the projects and commensurate with the progress. Further, there are delays due to non-availability of land, delay in forestry clearances, adverse law and order conditions, agitations resulting in stoppages of work/movement of construction materials, litigation, etc. Railway is making efforts to generate funds through measures other than gross budgetary support such as cost sharing by State Government and beneficiaries, implementation of projection through Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd. (RVNL) or as National Projects. Regular meetings are held with State Government /Central Government to expedite the issue of project implementation. The projects are progressing as per the availability of resources.