

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2986
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2013
LONG LOOP LINES
Reddy Shri Anantha Venkatarami

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to construct long loop lines along major stations in the country for enabling parking space for long-haul trains to allow premier passenger trains to overtake uninterruptedly as and when needed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified for the purpose;and
- (c) the time frame set for implementation thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) Yes, Madam. Railways plan to construct longer loop lines on stations identified for this purpose so as to enable running of long haul trains on identified routes.

(b) Works at following stations have been proposed for sanction in current Railway Budget of 2013-14:-

9 stations of East Coast Railway viz. Hindol Road, Dumuriput, Sigdam, Gumda, Gamjam, Kotpar, Chipurupalli, Gangadharpur and Paradeep.

21 stations of North Central Railway viz. Kitham, Ghosrana, Jakhora, Burhpura, Matatila, Kotra, Antri, Sikroda, Jasra, Dabhaura, Khoh, Sansi, Ekdil, Bhadan, Kurastikalan, Gaipura, Maripat, Dankaur, Ahraura Road, Bheerpur and Ambiapur.

7 stations of West Central Railway viz. Chhotioda, Laban, Piloda, Ravta Road, Shyamgarh, Suvasra and Thuria.

7 stations of South East Central Railway viz. Baradpuar, Kothari Road, Shahdol, Silyari, Hathbandh, Salwa and Koka.

(c) It is expected that this work will be completed in two to three years as per availability of resources.