

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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DOUBLING AND ELECTRIFICATION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the present status of doubling and electrification works on Gorakhpur- Lucknow section;
- (b) the reasons for delay in completion thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said works are likely to be completed and the steps being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) There is already an existing electrified double broad gauge line between Lucknow and Barabanki. Further, doubling of Barabanki-Gorakhpur section (242.60 km) has also been completed. The entire section has been commissioned for passenger traffic except Jahagirabad-Barabanki section (8 km) for which Commissioner of Railway Safety's (CRS) inspection is to be done. So far as electrification of Barabanki-Gorakhpur section is concerned, electrification on Barabanki-Tinich section (160.12 km) has been completed and works in Balance section of Tinich-Gorakhpur Cantt. (82.48 km) has been taken up.

(b) & (c) Due to poor performance of contractor, the progress of electrification got delayed. However, the progress is being monitored at High Level. Left over work of electrification on Tinich-Gorakhpur Cantt. section is likely to be completed by March' 2014.