

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5870
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2013
GAUGE CONVERSION DOUBLING PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of gauge conversion projects on Mysore-Chamarajanagar-Mettupalayan, Arasikere-Hassan-Mangalore, Bangalore-Hubli, Shimoga Town-Talaguppa, Hotgi-Gadag and Kolar- Chikkaballapur sections in Karnataka;
- (b) the present status of doubling projects on Bangalore-Mysore, Shivani-Hosadurga Road and Torangallu-Ranjitpura sections;
- (c) the details of completed surveys for gauge conversion on which work has not started yet in Andhra Pradesh, project-wise;
- (d) the details of funds allocated/spent thereon; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to start and complete the said gauge conversion projects in a time bound manner?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5870 BY SHRIADAGOORU VISHWANATH AND SHRI MODUGULA VENUGOPALA REDDY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 02.05.2013 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION/ DOUBLING PROJECTS.

(a): Present status of gauge conversion projects is given as under:-

Project	Status
Mysore-Chamarajanagar-Mettupalayam	Gauge conversion of Mysore-Chamarajanagar section already completed and commissioned. Requisite clearances to take up work on Chamarajanagar -Mettupalayam new line is not received.
Arasikere-Hassan-Mangalore	Completed and commissioned.
Bangalore-Hubli	Completed and commissioned.
Shimoga Town-Talguppa	Completed and commissioned.
Hotgi-Gadag	Completed and commissioned.
Kolar-Chikkaballapur	Completed and commissioned.

(b): Present status of doubling projects is given as under:-

Project	Status
Bangalore-Mysore	Doubling of Bangalore-Kengeri-Ramanagaram section already completed and commissioned. On Ramanagaram-Mysore portion, 57.5 Km out of 91.5 Km doubling has already been completed.
Shivani-Hosadurga Road	Land acquisition, earthwork, bridge works and ballast supply taken up.
Torangallu-Ranjitpura	Land acquisition taken up.

(c): There is no such survey for gauge conversion.

(d) and (e): Do not arise.