

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:789  
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2013  
FUNDS FOR PROJECTS IN NER  
Ajmal Shri Badruddin;Meinya Dr. Thokchom

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

- (a) whether the ongoing railway projects under North Eastern Region (NER) are being delayed due to inadequate allocation of funds;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor along with the details of funds sanctioned/allocated for the purpose in the current financial year;
- (c) the present status of Jiribam-Tupul-Imphal rail line along with land acquisition and extension of rail line from Lumding to Silchar, Badarpur and Kumarghat;
- (d) whether the time limit for the said projects have been further extended and if so, the details thereof, project-wise; and
- (e) whether recently a sum of Rs. 600 crore has been sanctioned for projects under NER and if so, the details thereof?

**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. 789 BY DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA AND SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.08.2013 REGARDING FUNDS FOR PROJECTS IN NER

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Railways has huge throwforward of ` 1.78 lakh crore and limited availability of resources. As a result, funds are distributed as per availability of resources.

(c): On Jiribam-Tupul-Imphal rail line, execution in Jiribam-Tupul section has been taken up. Jiribam-Dholakhal (12.5 km) section has been completed. Earthwork, bridges, tunneling have been taken up in Dholakhal-Tupul section. Overall progress of project is 20.73%. On Lumding-Silchar, gauge conversion of Lumding-Silchar, Badarpur and Kumarghat has been taken up and earthwork, bridges, tunnels have been taken up in entire section. Project is targeted for completion by December, 2015 subject to availability of resources.

(d): Targets are fixed every year depending upon availability of resources and target for these projects have also been extended due to paucity of funds.

(e): Yes, Madam. The details of additional ` 600 crore sanctioned is as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

S. No.	Name of the project	Amount	Re-appropriated
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| 1. | Jiribam-Imphal (97.9 km)   | 280.00 |  |
| 2. | Bogibeel bridge with linking lines between Dibrugarh and North Bank line (46 km)                                 | 100.00 |  |
| 3. | New Moynaguri-Jogighopa with gauge conversion of New Mal-Moynaguri Road and New Changrabanda-Changrabanda (3 km) | 70.00  |  |
| 4. | Rangiya-Murkongselek alongwith linked fingers (510.33 km)  | 150.00 |  |

TOTAL	600.00		
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