

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4338

ANSWERED ON:20.04.2015

HIGH DENSITY ROUTES ON RAILWAY NETWORK

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have identified the High Density Routes in the country and if so, the details along with the names of the said routes;
- (b) the steps taken by the Railways to ease congestion on such High Density Routes including doubling of lines in various routes;
- (c) whether the Railways are considering to utilise the funds raised through extra budgetary resources on measures to ease congestion on the railway network especially on the High Density Routes and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the targets set for doubling of railway lines viz-a-viz achievements made during the 11th and 12th Five Year Plan Period; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways to convert busy rail routes into four lanes along with the routes identified in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(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. 4338 BY SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO, SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD, SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE, SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV AND SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.04.2015 REGARDING HIGH DENSITY ROUTES ON RAILWAY NETWORK

(a) Yes, Madam. There are 7 identified High Density Network (HDN) Routes on Indian Railways as stated below:

HDN-1	Delhi - Howrah
HDN-2	Howrah - Mumbai
HDN-3	Mumbai - Delhi
HDN-4	Delhi - Guwahati
HDN-5	Delhi - Chennai
HDN-6	Chennai - Howrah
HDN-7	Chennai - Mumbai

(b) Capacity augmentation and bottleneck removal on HDN routes is accorded very high priority subject to resource availability. As on date, 65 Doubling Works at a cost of ` 45,064 Crore and 200 Traffic Facility Works at a cost of ` 4016 Crore have been sanctioned for the High Density Network routes.

(c) Yes, Madam. The Railway Budget for 2015-16 envisages raising of funds for Plan financing through Extra Budgetary Resources to the extent of ` 40,572 Crore. These funds are meant for all major projects including those on the High Density network routes.

(d) (i) 11th Plan targets and achievements for Doubling:-

Plan Head	11th Plan Target (km)	Original Target (km)	Mid Term Review Target (km)	Achievement in 11th Plan (km)
Doubling	6000	2500	2756	

(ii) Progress of doubling in first three years of 12th Plan:-

Plan Head	12th Plan Target (km)	Achievement 2012-2013 (km)	Achievement 2013-2014 (km)	Achievement 2014-2015 (km)
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(e) A few sections of High Density Network routes have been identified for quadrupling. Besides, the Dedicated Freight Corridors have been taken up on Eastern route i.e., Dankuni - Ludhiana and Western route i.e., Jawahar Lal Nehru Port – Dadri.