

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4715
ANSWERED ON:22.12.2014
SURVEY FOR NEW RAILWAY LINE
Chaudhary Shri P.P.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of survey for laying of new railway lines conducted by the Ministry during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the number of surveys out of these converted into projects and the reasons for cancellation of the surveys, State-wise;
- (c) whether a survey for new railway line between Bilara-Bar near Jodhpur in the State of Rajasthan was also conducted;
- (d) if so, the year in which the survey was conducted and the details of the said survey report and the time for its conduction;
- (e) whether the Railways propose to lay new railway line between Bilara-Bar; and
- (f) if so, the time by which the said work is likely to be started?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4715 BY SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.12.2014 REGARDING SURVEY FOR NEW RAILWAY LINE.

(a) & (b): 177 surveys for new lines have been completed during last three years & current year. Out of these, 13 projects have been sanctioned. As most of the new lines fall fully or partly in more than one State, State-wise data is not maintained. However, Zone-wise details are given as under:-

S. Railway Surveys Work
No. Zone completed sanctioned

1 Central	8	0
2 East Coast	8	0
3 East Central	4	0
4 Eastern	5	1
5 North Central	9	0
6 North Eastern	8	1
7 Northeast Frontier	19	2
8 Northern	22	1
9 North Western	15	1
10 South Central	15	0
11 South East Centra	14	0
12 South Eastern	10	2
13 Southern	20	3
14 South Western	13	2
15 West Central	6	0
16 Western	11	0

Surveys of projects are cancelled only if the same is covered in other surveys taken up.

(c) to (f): A survey for new line between Bilara-Bar (47 Km), sanctioned in 2009-10, was completed in 2010-11. As per the survey report, the cost of the new line was assessed as Rs. 205 Crore with a negative rate of return of 10.95%. The project could not be taken forward since Planning Commission did not accord "in principle" approval.