

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4197
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018**

DOUBLING OF RAIL LINES

4197. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of doubling of railway lines from Arasikere-Tumkur, Birur-Shimoga, Hubli-Vasco, Hubli-Chikkajajur, Mangalore-Panambur And Sakleshpur-Subrahmanya Road;**
- (b) the time by which the Government proposes to complete these projects in view of very high utilization of line capacity in these sections;**
- (c) whether adequate funds have been allocated to these projects during the last three years and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) whether the Southern Western Railway and Southern Railway have utilized the entire allocations during the above period and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4197 BY KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE AND SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 21.03.2018 REGARDING DOUBLING OF RAIL LINES

(a) to (d): Execution/completion of projects depends on a number of factors such as statutory clearances, acquisition of land, forestry and wildlife clearances, shifting of various utility services. Therefore, it is not feasible to give fixed time lines for completion of all the projects. Further, adequate funds are provided to Doubling projects mentioned. The details of doubling of Arsikere-Tumkur, Birur-Shimoga, Hubli-Vasco, Hubli-Chikjajur, Mangalore-Panambur and Sakleshpur-Subrahmanya Road alongwith present status, expenditure incurred upto March, 2017 and outlay provided during 2017-18 are as under:-

(₹ in crore)

S.No.	Project Name	Railway	Expenditure incurred upto March, 2017	Outlay 2017-18	Status
1	Arsikere-Tumkur	South Western	212.15	140	Earthwork, bridgework, ballast supply, etc taken up. State Government of Karnataka to expedite handing over of 29 acre of land to Railways. Arsikere-Karadi section (36 Km) is in advance stage.
2	Birur-Shimoga	South Western	0.02	2	Project was included in Budget subject to

					requisite approvals. This project has been deferred in view of low capacity utilization of existing line and reduction in traffic on project section.
3	Hubli-Vasco [Sanctioned Project is Hospet-Hubli-Londa-Tinaighat-Vasco-da-Gama]	South Western	723.25	250	On this project, 223 Km falls in Karnataka area and 79 Km falls in Goa area. In Karnataka area, Harlapur-Bannikoppa-Bhanapur- Koppol (40 Km), Kambarganvi-Alnavar (12 Km) and Shivthan-Londa-Tinaighat (17 Km) sections have been commissioned. Government of Karnataka has to expedite process for clearance to 9.83 hectare forest land and shifting of utility services to expedite work on balance portion.
4	Hubli-Chikjajur	South Western	341.45	200	Earthwork, bridgework,

					ballast supply, etc have been taken up. State Government of Karnataka has to expedite handing over of 36 hectare of land to Railways. Chikjajur-Tolahunse (37 Km) section is in advance stage.
5	Mangalore-Panambur [Sanctioned project is Kankandi-Pananmbur doubling]	Southern	117.82	92.8	Panambur-Jokate (6 Km) commissioned. Work on Jokate-Mangalore (13 Km) section is in advance stage.
6	Sakleshpur-Subrahmanya Road	South Western	Project is not sanctioned.
