GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 740 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018

NEW RAIL LINES IN MAHARASHTRA

740. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the work done in Maharashtra regarding laying of new railway lines, gauge conversion and electrification of railway lines during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the sanctioned works for Maharashtra which have not been started till date;
- (c) the details of the works in the State running as on date but not completed yet; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps to complete the said works on time 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. 740 BY SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2018 REGARDING NEW RAIL LINES IN MAHARASHTRA

(a) to (c): 39 km New Lines and 183 km Doubling have been commissioned in Maharashtra during last 3 years and current year. Details are as under:

Year	Plan Head	Name of the project	Section	Commiss- ioned
2014-15	Doubling	Udhna-Jalgaon (307 km)	Bhadbhunja- Navapur	11 km
			Navapur- Chinchpada	16 km
		Panvel-Pen (35 km)	Apta-Jite-Pen	20 km
		Pen-Roha (40 km)	Pen-Kasu	14 km
2015-16	Doubling	Pen-Roha (40 km)	Kasu-Nagothane	13 km
		Godhani-Kalumna (6 km)	Godhani Chord Cabin	6 km
		Udhna-Jalgaon (307 km)	Dharangaon-Paldhi	17 km
		Daund-Gulbarga (225 km)	Hotgi-Tilati	9 km
2016-17	New Line	Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli Vaijnath (261 km)	Ahmednagar- Narayandoh	12 km
		Baramati-Phalton-Lonand (54 km)	Lonand-Phaltan	27 km
	Doubling	Pen-Roha (40 km)	Nagothane-Roha	13 km
		Daund-Gulgarga (225 km)	Mohol-Vakav	23 km
		Udhna-Jalgaon (307 km)	Chinchpada- Khandbara- Nandurbar	41 km

Further, following railway lines have been commissioned on electric traction (electrified) during last three years (2014-15 to 2016-17) in the State of Maharashtra:

SN	Section	Route KM	Year	
1.	Manmad-Puntamba-Shirdi	81	2014-15	
2.	Badnera-Walgaon	18		
3.	Puntamba-Daund	174	2015-16	
4.	Dhumrikhurd-Ramtek	14		
5.	Pune-Bhigwan	108	2016-17	

36 projects consisting of 13 New Lines, 4 of Gauge Conversion and 19 Doublings falling partly or fully in the State of Maharashtra have been taken up. Details of the projects are as under:

(₹ in crore)

Year of S. Length Name of the project Remarks No. (in km) sanction **NEW LINES** 1. **Amravati-Narkher** 138 1993-94 Works taken up. 2. Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli 261 1995-96 Works taken up. Vaijnath 3. **Baramati-Phalton-**54 1998-99 Works taken up. Lonand 4. Wardha-Nanded via 2008-09 284 Works taken up. Yavatmal, Pusad Wadsa-Gadchiroli 50 2011-12 5. Works taken up. 6. **Dighi Port-Roha** 34 2015-16 Works taken up. **Karad-Chiplun** 112 2015-16 Included in Budget 2015-7. 16 subject to requisite **Government** approvals. 8. Indore-Manmad via 368 2016-17 Included in Budget 2016-Malegaon **17 subject to requisite Government** approvals. 9. **Pune-Nashik** 265 2016-17 Included in Budget 2016-**17 subject to requisite Government approvals.** 10. Vaibhavwadi-Kolhapur 107 2016-17 Included in Budget 2016-**17 subject to requisite** Government approvals. 11. Hatkanagale-Ichalkaranji 8 2017-18 Included in Budget 2017-18 subject to requisite **Government approvals.** 12. Jeur-Asthi 78 2017-18 Included in Budget 2017-**18** subject to requisite **Government** approvals. 13 **Phaltan-Pandharpur** 105 2017-18 Included in Budget 2017-**18** subject to requisite Government approvals. **GAUGE CONVERSION** 1. **Jabalpur-Gondia** 300 1996-97 Works taken up. including Balaghat-Katangi (285) & MM Katangi-Tirodi New Line (15) (total 300 km) 2. **Chhindwara-Nagpur** 150 2005-06 Works taken up. 3. 496 **Ratlam-Mhow-Khandwa-**2008-09 Works taken up. Akola (473) with MM

	Fatehabad-			
	Chandrawatiganj-Ujjain			
	(23) (Total 496 km)			
4.	Nagpur-Nagbhir	106	2013-14	Included in Budget 2013
4.	Nagpur-Nagbhir	100	2013-14	Included in Budget 2013-
				14 subject to requisite
	DOUBLING			Government approvals.
1.	Kalumna-Nagpur	5	2007-08	Works taken up.
2.	•••	307	2007-08	•
Ζ.	Udhna-Jalgaon with electrification	307	2008-09	Works taken up.
3.	Daund-Gulbarga	225	2009-10	Works taken up.
5.	Doubling (225) & Pune-	225	2009-10	works taken up.
	Guntakal Electrification			
	(641)			
4.	Godhani-Kalumna Chord	6	2010-11	Works taken up.
4. 5.	Bhusawal-Jalgaon 3 rd	24	2010-11	Works taken up.
5.	line	24	2011-12	moins lanell up.
6.	Kalyan-Kasara 3 rd line	68	2011-12	Works taken up.
7.	Parbhani-Mudkhed	81	2011-12	Works taken up.
8.	Wardha (Sewagram)-	76	2011-12	Works taken up.
0.	Nagpur 3 rd line	70	2012-13	works taken up.
9.	Hotgi-Kudgi-Gadag	284	2014-15	Works taken up.
10.	Itarsi-Nagpur (Balance)	280	2014-15	Works taken up.
10.	3 rd line excluding	200	2013-10	Works taken up.
	Chichonda-Teegaon			
11.	Kazipet-Balharshah 3 rd	201	2015-16	Works taken up.
	line (balance section)	201	2010-10	Works taken up
12.	Pune-Mirai-Londa	467	2015-16	Works taken up.
13.	Rajnandgaon-Nagpur	228	2015-16	Works taken up.
	(Kalumna) 3 rd line	_		
14.	Wardha (Sewagram)-	132	2015-16	Works taken up.
	Balharshah 3 rd line			-
15.	Chichonda-Teegaon 3rd	17	2015-16	Works taken up.
	line			_
16.	Daund-Manmad	248	2016-17	Included in Budget 2017-
				18 subject to requisite
				Government approvals.
17.	Jalgaon-Bhusawal 4th	24	2016-17	Included in Budget 2017-
	line			18 subject to requisite
				Government approvals.
18.	Manmad-Jalgaon 3 rd line	160	2016-17	Included in Budget 2017-
				18 subject to requisite
				Government approvals.
19.	Wardha-Nagpur 4 th line	76	2016-17	Included in Budget 2017-
				18 subject to requisite
				Government approvals.

The works against which remarks have been given that projects included in Budget subject to requisite Government approvals, will be started after all approvals are taken.

Details of ongoing Railway Electrification projects falling fully/partly in the State of Maharashtra are:

		Route KM	Total cost	
SN	Name of Project	Total / in	of project	Executing Agency
		Maharashtra	(₹ in crore)	
1.	Gondia- Ballarshah	250 / 250	204.61	Work has been entrusted to Central Organization for Railway Electrification (CORE) for execution.
2.	Amla-Chhindwara- Kalumna	257 / 55	267.15	Work has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) for execution.
3.	Panvel-Pen-Thai	75 / 75	111.47	Work has been entrusted to Central Railway (CR) for execution.
4.	Jasai-JNPT	9 / 9	15.78	Work has been entrusted to Central Railway (CR) for execution.
5.	Manmad-Mudkhed- Dhone	868 / 430	864.71	Work has been entrusted to Central Organization for Railway Electrification (CORE) for execution.
6.	Pen-Roha	40 / 40	72.75	Work has been entrusted to Central Railway (CR) for execution.
7.	Pune-Miraj- Kolhapur	326 / 326	615.01	Work has been entrusted to Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) for execution.
8.	Gondia-Nainpur- Jabalpur	229 / 17	194.29	Work has been entrusted to Central Organization for Railway Electrification (CORE) for execution.
9.	Jasai-Uran	10 / 10	19.21	Work has been entrusted to Central Railway (CR) for execution.

SN	Name of Project	Route KM Total / in Maharashtra	Total cost of project (₹ in crore)	Executing Agency
10.	Chalisgaon-Dhule	56 / 56	53.80	Work has been entrusted to Central Railway (CR) for execution.
11.	Daund-Baramati	44 / 44	47.33	Work has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) for execution.
12.	Wani-Pimpalkhutti	66 / 66	77.08	Work has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) for execution.
13.	Miraj-Kurduwadi- Latur	377 / 377	399.27	Work has been entrusted to Central Organization for Railway Electrification (CORE) for execution.
14.	Gadag-Hotgi	284 / 21	341.72	Work has been entrusted to Central Organization for Railway Electrification (CORE) for execution.

(d): For New Lines, Gauge Conversions & Doubling projects: Till 2013-14, due to overall limited availability of funds, most of the projects were not progressing satisfactorily. Since 2014-15, based on physical progress of projects, last mile connectivity projects and projects for decongesting the existing routes have been given sufficient funds. For this purpose, funds for capacity enhancement projects have been arranged through institutional financing by tying up loan with M/s Life Insurance Corporation of India Limited for ₹1.5 lakh crore for assured funding of viable projects. The completion of railway projects requires clearances from various departments of State Government and Central Ministries like acquisition of land, forestry and wild life clearances, cutting of trees, shifting of services, construction of road over bridges and road under bridges by road maintaining agencies, NOC from State Irrigation Department and Power Corporations, law and order issues which are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways. Therefore, it is not feasible to fix time lines for completion of all the projects.

For RE projects: In order to expedite electrification of railway lines in the country, various steps have been taken, which inter-alia include award of Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracts, better project monitoring mechanism ensuring availability of funds through Extra Budgetary Resources (Institutional Finance), enhancing power of field units for award of contracts including sanction of estimates and increasing the number of executing agencies from existing three to six by entrusting electrification works to new agencies viz. Indian Railway Construction Company, Rail India Technical and Economic Services and Power Grid Corporation of India Limited.

* * * * *