

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 114
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2018**

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN

†114. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of rail projects pending in various States including Rajasthan and the current status of these projects and the reasons for their pendency;**
- (b) the time scheduled for the above said projects;**
- (c) whether paucity of funds is one of the reasons which is impeding the progress of these projects and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to solve the problems and start work on the projects?**

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. 114 BY SHRI NIHAL CHAND TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 18.07.2018 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN

(a) to (d): At present, 500 Railway projects including 180 New Lines, 57 Gauge Conversion and 263 Doubling Projects are in different stage of execution. This includes 32 projects in the state of Rajasthan including 10 New Line projects, 6 Gauge Conversion and 16 Doubling Projects. Further, commissioning of these projects requires clearance from various departments of State Government and Central Ministries like acquisitions of land, statutory clearance like forestry and wild life, shifting of utilities etc., which affect the pace and timely execution of projects. For assured funding of viable projects, institutional financing has been done by arranging loan from M/s Life Insurance Corporation of India Limited for ₹ 1.5 lakh crore, which has increased Railways' capacity for committed fund provision for essential projects. For timely completion of the projects, Railway is holding regular meetings with State Government and concerned Central Government officials on various issues involving alignment, land acquisition, forestry and wild life clearances, shifting of utilities etc.
