

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3527
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2018**

EXPANSION OF RAILWAY NETWORK

3527. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA HANSDAH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has any plans for expansion of Railway network in Mayurbhanj, being a tribal and backward district of Odisha and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether there are plans for connecting Bangriposi to Gorumahisani, Badampahar to Rairangpur and Buramara to Chakulia; and**
- (c) if so, the details and the status thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3527 BY SHRI RAMA CHANDRA HANSDAH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.08.2018 REGARDING EXPANSION OF RAILWAY NETWORK

(a) to (c): Railway projects are not sanctioned area-wise or State-wise, but Zonal Railway-wise. The following Railway lines are already passing through Mayurbhanj District:-

(1) Tatanagar-Badampahar Railway line and (2) Rupsa-Bangriposi Railway line.

In addition, the following Survey has been taken up for projects falling fully/partly in Mayurbhanj District:-

1. Bangriposi-Badampahar(50 Km): This New Line has been included in Capital Investment Programme of 2017-18 through Joint Ventures/SPVs/ Partnerships with State Governments and Stake Holders. A Joint Venture Company with Odisha Government has already been incorporated for taking up projects under Joint Venture.

2. Buramara-Chakulia (50 Km) New line: Bankability study for Rupsa-Bangriposi project was entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd(RVNL) for execution under SPV mode. However, RVNL has advised that the project is not economically viable.

3. Belda-Baripada via Nayagram(77 Km): Survey for this new line was completed in 2012-13 and the Survey Report was examined in Railway Board. However, due to its unremunerative nature and large shelf of ongoing railway projects, the project could not be taken forward.

4. Bangriposi-Gorumahisani (42 Km): Survey for this new line has been completed and the Survey Report has been examined in Railway Board. However, due to its unremunerative nature, poor traffic potential, and large shelf of ongoing railway projects, the proposal could not be taken forward.

5. Keonjhar (Kendujhargarh) & Badampahar (80 Km): Updating survey for this new line proposal has been completed and the survey report has been examined in Railway Board. However, due to its unremunerative nature and large shelf of ongoing projects, the project could not be taken forward.

6. Jashipur-Jajpur Road (151.570 Km): Survey for this New Line proposal has been completed and the survey report has been taken up. The cost of the project has been assessed ₹2656 crore with a Rate of Return(ROR) of (-)4.27%.

Badampahar is already connected to Rairangpur with a single Railway line.
