

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.605
ANSWERED ON 05.02.2021

RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

605. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new railway doubling works/projects sanctioned in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;
- (b) the details of new railway doubling works/projects completed during the last three years in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of new railway doubling works/projects yet to start;
- (d) the details of new railway doubling works/projects under construction;
- (e) whether Government has fixed any target during the last three years; and
- (f) if so, whether Government has achieved the target fixed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(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.605 BY SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 05.02.2021 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

(a) to (d) : Railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise not State wise, as Indian Railways' spans across various State boundaries. However, as on 01.04.2020, 16 Doubling projects covering a length of 3,787 km at a cost of ₹ 40,064 crore falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh are in different stages of planning/approval/execution, out of which 206 km has been commissioned and an expenditure of ₹ 7,121 cr has been incurred upto March'20. Out of these 04 doubling projects have been included in Pink Book during last 3 years i.e. 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20, details of these projects are as below:

Sl No.	Project	Year of inclusion in Pink Book	Total length in Km	Anticipated cost (₹ In Crore)
1	Pennukonda to Dharmavaram excluding Dharmavaram	2018-19	41.5	308
2	Doubling of Dharmavaram-Pakala-Katpadi#	2019-20	290	2900
3	Doubling of Guntur-Bibinagar #	2019-20	248	2480
4	Doubling of Akola-Dhone via Purna-Mudkhed, Secunderabad, Mehboobnagar excluding Purna-Mudkhed and Bolarum-Mehbobnagar including Dhone bye pass. #	2019-20	626	6260

Projects included in Budget subject to requisite Government approvals.

During last three years i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20, 214 km doubling falling fully/partly in Andhra Pradesh State have been commissioned, and out of these, two doubling projects named Guntur-Tenali (24 km) and Guntakal-Kalluru (43 km) have been fully commissioned

(e) & (f) The timely completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions etc. and all these factors affect the completion time of the project. As such, no confirmed time frame for completion of projects can be ascertained. However, Railway is making all the efforts for expeditious completion of projects.
