

(c) the funds further required for completion of Udhampur-Qazigund railway line and expected date of completion thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): (a) Katra-Qazigund is a part of Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla new line project for which an outlay of Rs. 1100 crores was provided for 2011-12. An expenditure of Rs. 590.97 crores has been incurred on Katra-Qazigund section during 2011-12.

(b) An outlay of Rs. 1000 crores has been provided for Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla new line work for the year 2012-13.

(c) Estimated requirement of funds for completion of Udhampur-Qazigund rail link is Rs. 10041 crores. Udhampur-Katra and Qazigund-Banihal sections are targeted to be completed in 2012-13. Katra-Banihal section is targeted to be completed by December, 2017.

Gauge conversion

†4020. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a plan has been prepared for broad gauging of Balaghat, Nainpur, Jabalpur, Mandla Fort, and Nainpur- Chhindwara narrow gauge lines which fall under Nagpur area of South East Central Railway Division;

(b) if so, complete details of the quantum of fund provided for completion of the above line;

(c) whether approval for completion of these lines has been granted in different financial years;

(d) if so, the total amount allocated till date for this purpose and the separate details for each year thereof; and

(e) by when, the above project will be completed and the comprehensive details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

BHARATSINH SOLANKI: (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Three Gauge conversion projects, Chindwara-Mandala Fort (188.25 Km.) Chindwara Nagpur (149.52 Km), Jabalpur - Gondia including Balaghat-Katangi have been sanctioned in the years 2010-11, 2005-06 and 1995-96 respectively for conversion of the narrow gauge lines falling under Nagpur area of South East Central Railway. The details of expenditure incurred upto March, 2012 on these projects and funds allocated during the last three years for these projects are as under:

| Name of Project | Expenditure upto March' 2012 in Rs. Crore | Allocation of Funds in Rs. Crore | | |
|--|---|----------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| | | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 (proposed) |
| Chindwara-Mandala Fort (188.25 Km.) | 30 | 10 | 30 | 25 |
| Chindwara Nagpur (149.52Km) | 207.94 | 50 | 50 | 40 |
| Jabalpur-Gondia including Balaghat- Katangi | 620.42 | 70 | 100 | 30 |

(e) No time frame has been fixed for completion of these projects. Projects are progressing as per availability of resources.

Doubling of railway line projects

4021. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the doubling of railway lines projects in progress with year of sanction, commencement, initial estimated cost and present estimated cost, as on 1st April, 2011; and

(b) the present status of each project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): (a) and (b) Details of doubling projects, as on 01.04.2011, is given as under: