

(c) if so, the reasons for breaking of tracks and the effective measures being taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY) : (a) to (c) The crack in rail was detected on a track at 8.50 hrs. by Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Bareilly, who was supervising the work of oiling and greasing of fish plated joints at site. After temporary repair, traffic was restored on this track with a speed of 20 kilometer per Hour at 10.20 hours.

Meanwhile the trains were passed *via* another track namely line no. 6 of Chanehti Station.

No train driver had informed about the broken rail, since no train passed over it.

The reasons for breaking of rail track are attributed to fatigue at fish-plated joints. The measures already taken by Railway in such cases to check recurrence of such incidence in future, comprise of Ultrasonic Flaw Detection (USFD) testing of rail joints, examination of cracks during oiling and greasing of fish plated joints and patrolling of track.

Ongoing railway projects

1827. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) how many railway projects are in progress, the details thereof, Zone-wise;

(b) the projects which are going to be completed during current year and approximate amount to be spent on these projects; and

(c) by when remaining ongoing projects are going to be completed and the amount spent thereon as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) As on 01.04.2013, there are 368 ongoing railway

projects. Zone-wise break-up of these projects are as given below:-

Railway Zone	Projects (in Nos.)
Central	11
East Coast	17
East Central	36
Eastern	49
Northern	38
North Central	7
North Eastern	15
Northeast Frontier	30
North Western	20
Southern	30
South Central	28
South Eastern	21
South East Central	16
South Western	25
Western	16
West Central	9

(b) During the current year *i.e.* 2013-14, initially targets for completion of 500 km New Lines, 450 km Gauge Conversion and 750 Km Doubling were set. However, due to paucity of funds, these targets have been reduced to 450 Km of New Line, 375 Km of Gauge Conversion and 700 Km of Doubling. An outlay of Rs. 9,750 Crore has been provided in Railway Budget 2013-14 to be spent on ongoing New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects.

(c) As on 01.04.2013, there are 368 ongoing railway works projects consisting of 156 New Line, 43 Gauge Conversion and 169 Doubling projects costing of Rs.2,43,268 crore. An expenditure of Rs.65,052 crore has been incurred on these projects, leaving a throwforward of Rs.1,78,216 crore to complete them. Against this huge throwforward, outlay is only Rs.9,750 crore. Targets are fixed every year depending upon availability of resources and progress of individual projects. Considering the present scenario of available projects in hand and the meager outlay to execute, the time by which the work on these projects is likely to be completed is not feasible to be fixed.

Dedicated Freight Corridor Project

1828. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the status of execution of work regarding the Dedicated Freight Corridor Project involving 3,300 kilometers of track with an estimated financial outlay of Rs. 60,000 crore;

(b) whether the work is being executed solely by Railways or Public -Private Partnership is also being associated for creating this huge infrastructure project; and

(c) the time-frame by when this project would be completed and commissioned for movement of rolling stocks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) Out of 10,667 hectares of land to be acquired for the Eastern and Western Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC), Award of compensation has been declared for 9,346 hectares. On Eastern DFC, construction work is in progress in Mughalsarai-Sonnagar section through Railway's resources. Civil contract has also been awarded on 343 km Khurja-Kanpur section funded by World Bank. On Western DFC civil contract has been awarded on JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency) funded 625 km Rewari-Palanpur section. Construction of 23 major and importance bridges between Vaitarana and Bharuch has been completed.