

(c) The present status of on-going railway electrification projects of NF Railway under Plan Head 'Railway Electrification' are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Project and year of sanction	Route Kilo- meter (RKM) Total	Balance RKM to be electrified as on 01.04.2015
1.	Kumedpur-Malda-Singhabad and Pakur-Malda (2012-13)	153	69
2.	Barauni-Katihar-Guwahati incl. Katihar-Barsoi (2008-09)	836	403

Kumedpur-Malda-Singhabad and Pakur-Malda electrification project has been entrusted to Central Organisation for Railway Electrification (CORE) Allahabad and Barauni-Katihar-Guwahati incl. Katihar-Barsoi electrification project has been entrusted to CORE and Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) New Delhi for execution.

#### **Railway stations with ambulance and first-aid facilities**

2369. SHRI SACHIN RAMESH TENDULKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Railways to provide critical first-aid and ambulance access to people injured while using the suburban and long distance services across the country;

(b) the number of stations that are fully equipped to provide critical first-aid and ambulance access, station-wise; and

(c) the time-frame by when all stations will have such facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) to (c) First Aid Boxes containing essential drugs and dressing materials are provided with the guards of all passenger carrying trains and Station Masters of all Railway stations. In addition, Augmented First Aid Boxes with wide range of medicines, disposable medical material, etc. have been provided at model stations and with the Train Superintendents of Rajdhani/Shatabdi Express trains and Guards of nominated trains. Front line staff deployed at stations and on trains are also trained in rendering First Aid. Trains can also make unscheduled halts, if necessary, at the stations *en-route* in emergencies. The Station Masters of all stations have details of

doctors, clinics and hospitals, both Government and Private, in the vicinity of the station, so that their services could also be availed, in emergencies. Ambulance service of both Railway hospitals and State Governments are utilized when required.

### **Pending railway projects**

†2370. SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of railway routes pending for gauge conversion in the country, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (b) the length of railway routes converted into broad gauge during the last Five Year Plan and the expenditure incurred thereon, State-wise;
- (c) the target determined for gauge conversion during the current Five Year Plan, particularly for Maharashtra; and
- (d) the details of the sections to be completed till the end of the current fiscal year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) As on 01.04.2015, Indian Railways have 4907 Route Km. of Metre Gauge (MG) and 2297 Route Km. of Narrow Gauge (NG) lines. Out of these, 3208 Km. of MG and 1153 Km. of NG have been sanctioned for gauge conversion. Four Gauge Conversion projects having a total length of 1013 Km. falling fully/partly in Maharashtra have been taken up at total cost of ₹ 5300 crore.

(b) As most of the railway lines straddle across one or more States, State-wise data is not maintained. During Eleventh five year plan *i.e.* from 2007-08 to 2011-12, 5321 Km length of railway track has been converted to Broad Gauge and an expenditure of ₹ 15,500 crore incurred thereon.

(c) A target of 2000 Km. has been fixed for Twelfth Five Year Plan. Out of which 1536 Km. has already been completed in first three years of this Plan.

(d) During the current financial year, target of commissioning of about 800 Km. of gauge converted section has been fixed, which fall fully/partly in Assam, Manipur, Tripura, Mizoram, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Madhya Pradesh.

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