

However, Delhi-Gurugram-Rewari-Alwar is one of the three Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) corridors identified by the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. The project has not been sanctioned by the Government. Therefore, its funding pattern and expected time for completion cannot be indicated at present.

Expansion of railway network

2070. SHRI G. C. CHANDRASHEKHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total network expansion of the Indian Railways in the last two years, year-wise and State-wise; and

(b) whether Railways have faced any hurdles in their network expansion in Karnataka in the last five years and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) State-wise commissioning of New Line, Doubling and Gauge Conversion in the past two years are as under:

Name of State	Commissioning of New Line, Doubling and Gauge Conversion (in km)	
	2016-17	2017-18
1	2	3
Assam and rest of North East	456	26.5
Andhra Pradesh	146	21
Bihar	286.1	36
Chhattisgarh	61.5	159.82
Delhi	0	26
Gujarat	84	74
Haryana	118	0
Jharkhand	176.1	94.8
Karnataka	160.57	196.45
Kerala	38.96	21
Madhya Pradesh	292.5	113.14

1	2	3
Maharashtra	75	118.88
Odisha	66.27	172.7
Punjab	16	2.5
Rajasthan	289	204.9
Telangana	124.6	19
Tamil Nadu	150.26	232.46
Uttar Pradesh	207.33	147.81
Uttarakhand	0	36
West Bengal	106.87	158.86

(b) The completion of Railway projects requires clearances from various departments of State Government and Central Ministries like acquisition of land, statutory clearances like forestry and wild life, shifting of utilities etc. which imparts hurdles in completion of projects.

Delayed railway projects in Kerala

2071. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of railway projects concerning Kerala which are running behind schedule;
- (b) the main reasons for the delay; and
- (c) by when each of the project is likely to be completed to avoid further cost escalation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) to (c) Details of projects falling fully/partly in the State of Kerala which are in various stages of execution are as under:

Sl. No.	Project
New Line	
1.	Tirunavaya-Guruvayur (35 Km.)
2.	Angamali-Sabrimala (116 Km.)