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7.	3rd line in balance section bet. Bhadrak-Vizianagram (385 Km)	150	Project included in Budget 2015-16 subject to clearance from Government (NITI Aayog, and CCEA)
8.	Kottavalasa-Koraput doubling (189 Km)	250	Project sanctioned in 2015-16 and work already started
9.	Rourkela-Jharsuguda (101 km) 3rd line	150	Project sanctioned in 2015-16 and work already started.
10.	Dumetra Link C connection with Bisra Station (2.3 Km)	1	Project Sanctioned in 2017-18 and the work started.
11.	Jeypore-Navarangpur (38 Km) New line	275	Project sanctioned in 2016-17 and the work started.
12.	Jeypore-Malkangiri (130 Km) new line.	79	Project included in Budget 2016-17 subject to clearance from Government (NITI Aayog and CCEA)
13.	Extension of Naupada-Gunupur line upto Theruvali (79.15 Km)	1	Project included in Budget 2017-18 subject to clearance from Government (NITI Aayog and CCEA)

Renewal of tracks

149. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that by the end of this fiscal, an unprecedented 3,500 kilometres of tracks could be renewed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that around 4000-4500 kilometres of tracks would be supplied for 17 Zones this year;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the railway officials have been asked to give utmost priority for track renewal work, overruling all other works; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) and (b) Track renewal is an ongoing process which is undertaken as

and when a stretch of track becomes due for renewal on age/condition basis. Track Renewal works are planned in advance every year and their execution is prioritized according to the condition of track ensuring all the time that track is in a sound condition for safe running of trains.

For the year 2017-18, a total target of 3600 km of track renewal in CTR units (one km of rail renewal or one km of sleeper renewal is equal to 0.5 CTR units (Complete Track Renewal units)) has been kept which includes Through Rail Renewal with new rails of 4389 km (2194.5 CTR units) of track against the total track renewal progress of 2487 km in CTR units for the year 2016-17.

(c) to (e) Rails planned to supply to Zonal Railways for renewal of rails and track components, including casual renewals in 2017-18 include rails for Through Rail Renewal of 4389 km of track with new rails.

Ministry of Railways has decided in September, 2017 to allot rails on priority for track renewal works *vis-à-vis* construction projects. During September, 2017 to December 2017, about 90% of rails supplied by Steel Authority of India Limited have been allotted for renewal of rails and track components, including casual renewal.

Rail Coach Factory at Kanchrapara, West Bengal

150. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lack of Central funds from the Ministry of Railways is working as an hindrance for completion of the Rail Coach Factory at Kanchrapara, West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the project would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Two stage bidding process has been initiated for selection of Joint Venture partner for setting up of Rail Coach Factory at Kanchrapara, West Bengal. Bidders have been shortlisted for participation in the financial bid stage. Bid Due Date is 18.04.2018.