

Month	2017-18	2018-19
Nov.	75.62	82.80
Dec.	75.09	80.68
Jan.	74.63	82.82

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Complaints of late running of trains in Kerala are received at various levels *i.e.* Station, Division, Zonal Railway and Railway Board. In order to improve punctuality on Southern Railways, numerous steps have been taken:—

- (i) Timings of certain Mail/Express trains have been rearranged and rationalized, which has improved punctuality of trains to some extent.
- (ii) Twenty pairs of Express trains in Thiruvananthapuram division are provided with WAP7 locomotives which have better acceleration/deceleration characteristics.
- (iii) Shadow corridor blocks are being used to grant maximum corridor blocks to avoid repeated blocks.
- (iv) Continuous efforts are being made to improve asset reliability to reduce failures to bare minimum level, so that detentions to trains are minimized.

Railway projects in Madhya Pradesh

†758. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state details of expansion of new passenger train services and rail tracks, electrification work and details of significant passenger services introduced in Madhya Pradesh during last four years as well as details of forthcoming special railway projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): Indian Railways is administratively divided into Zonal Railways whose jurisdiction straddles across State boundaries. However, details of train services introduced serving station located in Madhya Pradesh, railway electrification projects and new lines falling partially/fully in the State of Madhya Pradesh, during last four years (*i.e.* 2014-15 to 2017-18) and in the current year (*i.e.* 2018-19), are as under:—

(i) New services:—

Year	Number of trains (in single)
2014-15	18
2015-16	03
2016-17	24

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Year	Number of trains (in single)
2017-18	12
2018-19*	30

*As on 05.02.2019

(ii) Railway electrification projects:—

Year	Name of the section	Route Kilometer
2014-15	NIL	NIL
2015-16	Singrauli-Katni	260
	Ratlam-Nimach-Chandaria-Kota	348
	Indore-Mhow	21
	Jhansi-Manikpur Incl Khairar-Bhimsen	409
2016-17	Gondia-Nainpur-Jabalpur	229
	Vijaipur-Maksi	188
	Chinndwara-Nainpur-Mandala Fort	183
2017-18	Birlanagar-Etawah	115
	Guna-Gwalior	227
	Ratlam-Fatehabad-Laxmibainagar	115
2018-19	Mahoba-Udaipura	196
	Tumsar Road-Tirodi	20
	Balaghat-Katangi	47
	Tirodi-Katangi	15
	Mhow-Khandwa	138

(iii) New Lines:—

Sl. No.	New line Project	Year of inclusion in Budget	Latest Cost	Expend as on March 2018	Total Outlay 2018-19	Status of Project
1.	Indore-Budhni (Jabalpur) (342 Km)	2016-17	3261.82	0.15	0.2	Indore-Budhni new line has been sanctioned in September, 2018 at a cost of ₹ 3261.82 crore
2.	Indore-Manmad via Malegaon (358 Km)	2016-17	8857.98	-	101	Project has been taken up under Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV).
3.	Nimach-Badi Sadri (48 Km)	2017-18	490.44	0.05	5	Project sanctioned in October, 2018.