GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1397 ANSWERED ON 12.02.2021

DOUBLING AND ELECTRIFICATION OF MUZAFFARPUR TO VALMIKI NAGAR RAILWAY LINE

1397 # SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved ₹ 1397.61 crore and ₹ 1381.49 crore scheme for doubling and electrification of 106 km long railway line from Muzaffarpur to Sagauli and 109.7 km railway line from Sagauli to Valmiki Nagar respectively; and
- (b) if so, the details of progress made so far, and by when Government proposes to complete this scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. Government has approved two projects namely (i) Muzaffarpur-Sagauli (100.6 Km) doubling with electrification at a cost of ₹1185.73 crore and (ii) Sagauli-Valmiki Nagar (109.7 km) doubling with electrification at a cost of ₹1215.55 crore in the year 2016-17. Works have been taken up on both these doubling projects.

Completion of a Railway project depends on various factors like forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climatic conditions, etc. and all these factors affect the completion time of the project. As such, confirmed time-frame for completion of the project cannot be ascertained at this stage.
