

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.769**  
**ANSWERED ON 03.12.2021**

**PROGRESS OF RAILWAY LINE WORKS IN UTTARAKHAND**

769 # SHRI NARESH BANSAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress of construction works of Rishikesh-Karnprayag, Bageshwar-Tanakpur and Deoband-Roorkee railway lines, the details thereof; and
- (b) the other railway lines being considered for the State of Uttarakhand in future, whether Vikasnagar-Dehradun and Saharanpur-Vikasnagar railway lines are under Consideration ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 769 BY SHRI NARESH BANSAL ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 03.12.2021 REGARDING PROGRESS OF RAILWAY LINE WORKS IN UTTARAKHAND

(a) : Rishikesh-Karnprayag (125 km) new line was sanctioned in 2010-11, sanctioned cost of the project is ₹16216 crore. So far an expenditure of ₹5790 crore has been incurred on the project and an outlay of ₹ 4105.50 crore has been provided for the project for Financial year 2021-22. 1<sup>st</sup> block section of Virbhadra Yog Nagri - Rishikesh (5.70 km) has been commissioned in March, 2020 and work has been taken up in remaining section.

Preliminary survey for Tanakpur-Bageshwar (155 km.) new Broad Gauge rail has been completed. As per survey report, cost assessed was ₹6967 crore (45 cr/km) with ROR of (-) 5.93%. Project involves 72 nos. tunnels. Final Location Survey has been sanctioned recently for preparation of Detailed Project Report.

Deoband-Roorkee (28 km) new line was sanctioned in 2007-08. Sanctioned cost of the project is ₹791 crore. Government of Uttarakhand is sharing 50 % cost of project. So far an expenditure of ₹570 crore has been incurred on the project and an outlay of ₹292 crore including State share has been provided for the project for Financial year 2021-22. Work on the project has been taken up.

(b) : Survey for Dehradun to Kalsi via Vikasnagar (47 km) has been completed in 2017-18. Similarly survey for Saharanpur (Pilkhani)-Kalsi via Vikasnagar (90 km) has been completed in 2016-17. As per survey reports, both the projects were found to be financially unviable, as such could not be taken forward. Dehradun-Vikasnagar (38 km) new line project was also included in Capital Investment Programme 2016-17 in anticipation that the project will be identified by Joint Venture (JV) Company of Government of Uttarakhand. However, JV Company has not been formed by Government of Uttarakhand.

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