

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2692**  
**ANSWERED ON 25.03.2022**

**KADAPA-BENGALURU NEW RAILWAY LINE**

2692 SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to State:

- (a) when was Kadapa-Bengaluru new railway line conceived;
- (b) the original cost of the project and whether there is time and cost overrun;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is a fact that Government of Andhra Pradesh expressed its willingness to bear 50 per cent cost of the project; and
- (e) if so, the details of budget sanctioned for this project in 2022-23 and by when it is likely to be completed?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2692 BY SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 25.03.2022 REGARDING KADAPA-BENGALURU NEW RAILWAY LINE**

(a) to (e) The Kadapa-Bangalore (268 km) project was sanctioned in Budget 2008-09 on cost sharing basis with Government of Andhra Pradesh. Government of Andhra Pradesh has to share 50% cost of complete project. Anticipated cost of the project is ₹ 3038 crore. An expenditure of ₹ 351 cr has been incurred upto March 2021 and 21.30 km long Kadapa-Pendlimarri section has been commissioned.

Government of Andhra Pradesh vide their letter dated 15.11.2006 has consented for sharing 50% cost of Kadapa to Bangalore via Madanapalli joining at Kolar rail line. So far, Government of Andhra Pradesh has deposited only ₹ 189.95 crore towards their share in project and further not depositing their cost share. Government of Andhra Pradesh vide their letter dated 03.11.2020 has informed that State Government will bear only land cost of the project. Further, vide D.O.letter dated 17.06.2021. Government of Andhra Pradesh has suggested a different alignment via Kadapa-Muddanuru-Mudigubba-Sri satyasai Prasanti Nilayam-Bangalore. Proposed alignment is totally a different alignment.

Since Government of Andhra Pradesh is not depositing their cost share for the project, therefore execution of the project is held up on this account. Further, execution will be taken up only after deposition of State cost share by Government of Andhra Pradesh.

For financial year 2022-23, Railway has proposed an outlay of ₹ 0.0001 crore from Gross Budgetary Support and ₹ 289 crore State deposit for the project.

The completion of any Railway project(s) depends on various factors like deposition of State share in cost sharing project by State Government, quick land acquisition by State Government, 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(s) site due to climatic conditions etc. and all these factors affect the completion time of the project(s). Hence, no confirmed time frame can be ascertained for completion of project(s) at this stage.

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Since 2014, there has been substantial increase in budget outlay on infrastructure projects and safety works. Average annual budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh, during 2014-19 has increased to ₹ 2830 crore per year from ₹ 886 crore per year during 2009-14 which is 219% more than average annual budget allocation of 2009-14. Budget outlay for these projects has been increased to ₹ 3885 crore in financial year 2019-20 (338% more than average annual budget outlay during 2009-14), ₹ 4910 crore in financial year 2020-21 (454% more than average annual budget outlay during 2009-14) and ₹ 6223 crore in financial year 2021-22 (602% more than average annual outlay during 2009-14).

For financial year 2022-23, highest ever budget outlay of ₹ 7032 crore has been proposed for these projects, which is 694% more than average annual budget outlay of 2009-14(₹ 886 crore/year).

During 2014-21, 731 Km sections (319 km New line and 412 km Doubling) falling fully/partly in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been commissioned at an average rate 104.43 km per year, which is 44% more than average annual commissioning during 2009-14( 72.6 Km/Yr.)

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