

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2890  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2026**

**TALCHER BIMLAGARH RAIL PROJECT**

**†2890. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is likely to expedite the completion of the Talcher Bimlagath' rail project and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the time by which this project is expected to be completed;**
- (c) whether the construction work up to Palalahada is likely to be completed by the end of December 2026 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to run passenger trains up to Khamara from the point of view of the completed construction work and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Government is likely to take a sympathetic view on the demand to build the Palalahada railway station near Palalahada Sadar (within 1.5 2 km) and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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**(a) to (e): Talcher-Bimalgarh (150 Km) new line project passes through north Odisha covering Angul, Deogarh and Sundargarh Districts.**

**The latest cost of the project is ₹ 3,390 Cr. Expenditure of ₹ 1,901 Cr. have been incurred on this project upto March, 2026. An outlay of ₹ 950 Cr. has been provided for the financial year 2026-27.**

**Section wise status of the project is as under:-**

| <b>S. No.</b> | <b>Section</b>                        | <b>Status</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>      | <b>Talcher – Khamar (48 Km)</b>       | <b>Commissioned.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>2</b>      | <b>Khamar – Golabandha (35 Km)</b>    | <p><b>110 Ha out of 137 Ha requisite land have been acquired. Works have been taken up in available land.</b></p> <p><b>41 out of 61 minor Bridges have been completed and works have been taken up on balance minor Bridges.</b></p> <p><b>3 out of 11 ROB's have been completed and works have been taken up on balance ROB's.</b></p> <p><b>12 out of 16 RUBs have been completed and works have been taken up on balance RUBs.</b></p> <p><b>Works on Palalahada Station Building near Palahada Sadar has been taken up.</b></p> |
| <b>3</b>      | <b>Golabandha – Mahuldiha (35 Km)</b> | <b>69 Ha out of 113 Ha requisite land have been acquired.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>4</b>      | <b>Mahuldiha – Bimalgarh (32 Km)</b>  | <p><b>108 Ha out of 134 Ha requisite land have been acquired. Forestry and Wildlife clearances received. Works have been taken up in available land.</b></p> <p><b>39 out of 72 minor Bridges have been completed and works have been taken up on balance minor Bridges.</b></p> <p><b>12 out of 25 RUBs have been completed and works have been taken up on balance RUBs</b></p>                                                                                                                                                    |

## **ODISHA**

### **Railway Budget:**

**Budget allocation in recent years has increased significantly. Budget allocation for infrastructure projects and safety works, falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha is as under:**

| <b>Period</b>  | <b>Outlay</b>                            |
|----------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>2009-14</b> | <b>₹ 838 Cr./year</b>                    |
| <b>2026-27</b> | <b>₹ 10,928 Cr. (More than 13 times)</b> |

#### **Track Construction:**

**The details of commissioning/laying of new track falling fully/partly in the State of Odisha is as under:**

| <b>Period</b>  | <b>New Track Commissioned</b> | <b>Average Commissioning of new tracks per year</b> |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>2009-14</b> | <b>267 Km</b>                 | <b>53 Km</b>                                        |
| <b>2014-26</b> | <b>2,236 Km</b>               | <b>186 Km (More than 3.5 times)</b>                 |

#### **Project Sanctioned:**

**As on 01.04.2026, 55 projects (19 New Lines and 36 Doubling/Multi-tracking), of a total length of 4,256 Km, costing ₹ 81,739 crore, falling fully/partly in Odisha, are sanctioned. The summary is as under:-**

| <b>Category</b>                | <b>No of sanctioned Projects</b> | <b>Total Length NL/GC/DL (in Km)</b> | <b>Length Commissioned till Mar'26 (in Km)</b> | <b>Total Exp upto Mar'26 (₹ in Cr)</b> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>New Lines</b>               | <b>19</b>                        | <b>1,544</b>                         | <b>277</b>                                     | <b>7,288</b>                           |
| <b>Doubling/Multi-tracking</b> | <b>36</b>                        | <b>2,712</b>                         | <b>1,309</b>                                   | <b>21,675</b>                          |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>55</b>                        | <b>4,256</b>                         | <b>1,586</b>                                   | <b>28,963</b>                          |

#### **Recently Completed Projects:**

**Details of some of the recently completed projects falling fully/partly in Odisha are as under:**

| <b>S. No.</b> | <b>Name of Project</b>                                                                 | <b>Cost (In Crores of ₹)</b> |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>      | <b>Daitari-Banspani New Line and Jakhapura-Haridaspur 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (179 Km)</b> | <b>1,317</b>                 |
| <b>2</b>      | <b>Jharsuguda - Sardega New Line (53 Km)</b>                                           | <b>1,598</b>                 |
| <b>3</b>      | <b>Haridaspur-Paradeep New Line (82 Km)</b>                                            | <b>2,397</b>                 |
| <b>4</b>      | <b>Angul-Sukinda New Line (104 Km)</b>                                                 | <b>2,834</b>                 |

| <b>S. No.</b> | <b>Name of Project</b>                                  | <b>Cost<br/>(In Crores of ₹)</b> |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>5</b>      | <b>Champa-Jharsuguda 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (152 Km)</b>   | <b>1,227</b>                     |
| <b>6</b>      | <b>Sambalpur-Titlagarh Doubling (182 Km)</b>            | <b>2,262</b>                     |
| <b>7</b>      | <b>Rourkela-Jharsuguda 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (101 Km)</b> | <b>1,313</b>                     |
| <b>8</b>      | <b>Banspani- Jakhapura Doubling (164 Km)</b>            | <b>1,827</b>                     |
| <b>9</b>      | <b>Sambalpur-Talcher Doubling (174 Km)</b>              | <b>1,539</b>                     |
| <b>10</b>     | <b>Raipur - Titlagarh Doubling (203 Km)</b>             | <b>1,171</b>                     |
| <b>11</b>     | <b>Jharsuguda-Sardega Doubling (50 Km)</b>              | <b>3,200</b>                     |

#### **Ongoing Projects:**

**Further, some of the main projects falling fully/partly in Odisha which have been taken up are as under:**

| <b>S. No.</b> | <b>Name of Project</b>                                                                     | <b>Total Cost<br/>(In Crores of ₹)</b> |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>      | <b>Junagarh-Nabarangpur New Line (116 Km)</b>                                              | <b>2,865</b>                           |
| <b>2</b>      | <b>Nabarangpur-Jeypore New Line (41 Km)</b>                                                | <b>748</b>                             |
| <b>3</b>      | <b>Jeypore-Malkangiri New Line (130 Km)</b>                                                | <b>2,344</b>                           |
| <b>4</b>      | <b>Malkangiri – Pandurangapuram New Line (174 Km)</b>                                      | <b>3,592</b>                           |
| <b>5</b>      | <b>Buramara-Chakulia New Line (60 Km)</b>                                                  | <b>1,459</b>                           |
| <b>6</b>      | <b>Gunupur-Therubali New Line (74 Km)</b>                                                  | <b>1,166</b>                           |
| <b>7</b>      | <b>Puri - Konark New Line (32 Km)</b>                                                      | <b>492</b>                             |
| <b>8</b>      | <b>Badampahar-Kendujhargarh New Line (82 Km)</b>                                           | <b>1,876</b>                           |
| <b>9</b>      | <b>Bangriposi-Gorumahisani New Line (86 Km)</b>                                            | <b>2,269</b>                           |
| <b>10</b>     | <b>Bargarh Road-Nawapara Road New Line (138 Km)</b>                                        | <b>2,622</b>                           |
| <b>11</b>     | <b>Nergundi - Vizianagaram 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (385 Km)</b>                                | <b>4,963</b>                           |
| <b>12</b>     | <b>Vizianagram-Titlagarh 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (265 Km)</b>                                  | <b>6,996</b>                           |
| <b>13</b>     | <b>Sambalpur - Jarapada 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> line (127 Km)</b>                | <b>3,574</b>                           |
| <b>14</b>     | <b>Budhapank- Salegaon via Rajatgarh 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Line (170 Km)</b> | <b>3,035</b>                           |
| <b>15</b>     | <b>Kottavalasa-Koraput Doubling (189 Km)</b>                                               | <b>3,580</b>                           |
| <b>16</b>     | <b>Koraput-Singapur Road Doubling (165 Km)</b>                                             | <b>2,462</b>                           |
| <b>17</b>     | <b>Jagdalpur-Koraput Doubling (107 Km)</b>                                                 | <b>1,547</b>                           |
| <b>18</b>     | <b>Jharsuguda-Bilaspur 4<sup>th</sup> line (206 Km)</b>                                    | <b>2,596</b>                           |
| <b>19</b>     | <b>Jharsuguda-Sason 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> line (35 Km)</b>                     | <b>1,113</b>                           |
| <b>20</b>     | <b>Bondamunda-Ranchi Doubling (159 Km)</b>                                                 | <b>3,029</b>                           |
| <b>21</b>     | <b>Narayangarh-Bhadrak 3<sup>rd</sup> line (153 Km)</b>                                    | <b>3,425</b>                           |

| <b>S. No.</b> | <b>Name of Project</b>                                                                               | <b>Total Cost<br/>(In Crores of ₹)</b> |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>22</b>     | <b>Bhadrak-Nergundi 3<sup>rd</sup> Line (92 Km)</b>                                                  | <b>1,632</b>                           |
| <b>23</b>     | <b>Cuttack-Nergundi 4<sup>th</sup> line along with Rail flyover at Nergundi (16 Km)</b>              | <b>759</b>                             |
| <b>24</b>     | <b>Dangoaposi-Jaroli (Banspani) 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Line (43 Km)</b>                 | <b>1,638</b>                           |
| <b>25</b>     | <b>Jarapada- Budhapank 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Line with flyover at Talcher (101 Km)</b> | <b>929</b>                             |
| <b>26</b>     | <b>Flyover from Bondamunda A Cabin to Bondamunda Link B Cabin (5 Km)</b>                             | <b>135</b>                             |

**Completion of Railway project/s depends on various factors which include the following:**

- **Land acquisition**
- **Forest clearance**
- **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 etc.**

**All these factors affect the completion time and cost of the project/s.**

**The introduction of train services on any route/section is an on-going process, which depends on various factors including:**

- **Capacity of that section**
- **Availability of path**
- **Availability of required rolling stock**
- **Availability of matching of railway tracks and other assets**
- **Occupancy and the traffic requirement of the section.**

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