

Railway Projects in Orissa

35. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:
SHRI BHAJAMAN BEHERA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing railway projects being implemented in Orissa, along with the target dates, extent of work completed and cost of the projects;

(b) the steps taken to complete these projects; and

(c) the details of proposals received for inclusion of more railway projects in the State?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Details of ongoing new railway line projects being implemented in Orissa are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Estimated cost (Rs. in crores)	Physical Progress of work completed (upto 1/90)	Expected date of completion
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Koraput-Rayagada (164 Km)	322	56.5%	3/91
2.	Talcher-Sambalpur (162 Km)	100	17%	*

*Completion of Talcher-Sambalpur would depend on availability of resources in coming years.

(b) The projects are in progress.

Eastern Uttar Pradesh are connected by rail and have link with the religious places of Southern India;

(c) The following are some of the major proposals of Railway projects received:

1. Daitari-Banspani new BG line.
2. Khurda Road-Balangir new BG line.
3. Rupsa-Bangriposi NG for conversion to BG and extension to Dalbhumgarh and/or Gorumahisani.

(b) if not, whether Government propose to provide rail links to these pilgrimage centres and construct a railway bridge on Saryu river to connect them with the religious places of Southern India; and

(c) if so, when?

[Translation]

Railway Bridge Over Saryu River

36. SHRI MITRA SEN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pilgrimage centres of

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c). All important pilgrimage places of Eastern Uttar Pradesh such as Ayodhya, Allahabad and Varanasi are connected by rail.

There is no proposal at present to construct a railway bridge over river Saryu.