

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 35
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024**

**CONVERSION OF DELHI-SHAMLI-SAHARANPUR RAILWAY LINE TO
DOUBLE GAUGE**

***35 MS IQRA CHOUDHARY:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government intends to convert the Delhi-Shamli-Saharanpur Railway Line to double gauge;**
- (b) if so, the timeline for the completion of such work and the estimated budget for the same;**
- (c) whether the Government intends to introduce express trains on the said route;**
- (d) if so, the expected time-frame for the same;**
- (e) whether the Government plans for more trains to stop at Shamli station; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 35 BY MS IQRA CHOUDHARY TO BE
ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.11.2024 REGARDING
CONVERSION OF DELHI-SHAMLI-SAHARANPUR RAILWAY LINE TO
DOUBLE GAUGE.**

(a) to (f): Delhi - Shamli - Saharanpur section is an important section of Indian Railways. Railway has undertaken several works in this section to improve passengers experience, safety of train operations, mobility of road users etc. Some of the works undertaken are as under:

- i. During last 10 years, 107 ROBs/RUBs in this section have been provided to improve safety of train operations and mobility of road users. Presently, the work of 11 ROBs/RUBs have been taken up in this section.**
- ii. Shamli Railway station has been identified for development under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. Works of improvement of Station Building, Platform shelters, Construction of Foot Over Bridge, etc. of this station have been taken up.**
- iii. Passenger amenities work at other stations of this section (Noli, Khekra, Baghpat, Baraut, Kasimpur Kheri, Kandhla, Hind, Thanabhawan, Rampur and Manani stations) have also been carried out which include improvement of station buildings and circulating areas. Cover over FOB has been provided at three stations and height of platforms have been raised to high level at 8 crossing stations and 18 halt stations.**

- iv. Capacity enhancement works have been carried out and the speed of the section has been raised from 100 kmph to 110 kmph. The speed of the loop lines has also been raised from 15 kmph to 30 kmph. These works have increased the capacity of the section.**
- v. Boundary walls at different locations, totaling about 6 Km have been constructed to prevent trespassing and ensure safety of train operations.**

Presently, Delhi-Shamli sector is being served by 12 pairs of trains while Delhi-Saharanpur sector, via Shamli is being served by 07 pairs of train services. Besides, all the 12 pairs of trains passing through Shamli station have scheduled stoppage at Shamli. The line capacity utilization of existing Delhi-Shamli-Saharanpur line is less than 80%.

Sanctioning of Railway projects is a continuous and dynamic process of Indian Railway. Railway Infrastructure Projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, traffic projections, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon liabilities of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands.
