

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3884
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DOUBLING OF PATNA-GAYA RAIL LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated to complete the doubling of Patna-Gaya rail line;
- (b) the length of section between Patna and Gaya rail line doubled alongwith expenditure incurred thereon so far;
- (c) the length of remaining section where the doubling is yet to take place alongwith the reasons for not doubling the same sections; and
- (d) the time by which the remaining portion is likely to be completed alongwith the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (c): Doubling of 29.52 km from Patna to Taregna on Patna-Gaya section has been sanctioned in phases. The doubling work from Patna to Parsabazar (6.2 km) has been completed and an expenditure of Rs.13.10 cr has been incurred upto 31.12.2000. Work is in progress in Parsabazar-Punpun-Taregna (23.31 km) section. The work will be progressed and completed in the coming years as per availability of resources. An outlay of Rs. 7.10 cr has been proposed during the year 2001-02.

(d): The length of the remaining section from Taregna to Gaya where doubling has not yet been sanctioned is 62 km. Doubling of single line sections is taken up when their carrying capacity is ~ saturated. The traffic on the remaining portions of Patna-Gaya section has not yet reached the level to justify their doubling, which will be considered once the traffic warrants the same, subject to availability of resources.