

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1163

ANSWERED ON:15.07.2004

CONVERSION OF BROAD GAUGE FROM METER GAUGE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of railway track, in kilometers, converted from meter gauge to broad gauge during the each of the last three years, State-wise, specially in Maharashtra ;

(b) the target fixed for gauge conversion under the Tenth Plan; and

(c) the quantum of funds allocated by the Government for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): The details are given in the attached statement.

(b) & (c): A target of 2365 Kms of Gauge Conversion has been fixed for Xth Five Year Plan. Funds for the railway projects are allocated on year to year basis. A target of 1,000 km of gauge conversion has been fixed for completion during the year 2004-05 for which Rs.790.28 crore has been allocated.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1163 BY S/SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI, RAMDAS BANDU ATHAWALE AND Y.G. MAHAJAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 0000015-07-2004 REGARDING CONVERSION OF BROAD GAUGE FROM METER GAUGE

(a) : Year-wise gauge conversion done during the last three years State-wise is as follows:

	2001-02 (Kms)	2002-03 (Kms)	2003-04 (Kms)	
Andhra Pradesh	29		166	30
Assam	46	-		-
Gujarat	61		367	152
Karnataka	1		25	57
Uttar Pradesh	24		-	-
Maharashtra	50		42	-
Rajasthan	-		150	241
Tamil Nadu	-		80	176
West Bengal	-		-	198
Total:		211	830	854