

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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STATUS OF GAUGE CONVERSION WORK
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of gauge conversion work on Gonda-Bahraich rail section;
- (b) the time fixed for the completion of the said work;
- (c) the reasons for delay in completion the said work; and
- (d) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Gauge conversion of Gonda-Bahraich (60 km) has been taken up at an anticipated cost of ` 183 crore. An expenditure of ` 73 crore has been incurred upto March, 2014. An outlay of ` 10 crore has been provided for the project for the year 2014-15. Earthwork, bridges work and ballast supply work have been taken up.

(b) to (d): A huge throwforward of ongoing projects and limited overall availability of funds has delayed the above project and also preclude fixing up of target date for completion.