

Key highlights of Railway budget

- ❖ Capacity building to decongest high density networks.
- ❖ Will increase annual passenger capacity from 21mn per day currently to 30mn per day over next 5 years.
- ❖ Will increase annual freight capacity from 1bn tons to 1.5bn tons over next 5 years.
- ❖ To increase tracks by 14% to 138,000 kms over next 5 years.
- ❖ Investments of Rs 8.5 lakh crores to be made over next 5 years.
- ❖ Operating ratio will be improved from 91.8% in FY15 to 88.5% in FY16.
- ❖ Passenger tariffs kept unchanged.
- ❖ To build toilets on 650 more stations, 17,000 toilets to be replaced by bio toilets.
- ❖ Build mobile app for booking unreserved ticket.
- ❖ Move towards paperless ticketing.
- ❖ 750 kms of civil contract will be awarded on DFC in FY16.
- ❖ Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed train feasibility in advanced stage.
- ❖ To construct roads over bridges for unmanned level crossing.
- ❖ To spend Rs 6,581 on level crossing safety.
- ❖ Speed of 9 rail corridors will be increased upto 160 km/hr.
- ❖ To make wagon leasing attractive for private players.
- ❖ Proposes to install train warning protection system, anti collision device.
- ❖ Set up holding company to raise long term debt.
- ❖ Plan outlay is Rs 1,00,011 crore, an increase of 52% over Revised estimate 2014-15. It is anticipated that the Plan size will get higher once resources from institutional bodies are formalized during the course of the ensuing financial year.



- ❖ Gross Budgetary Support of Rs 40,000 crore for the Railway's annual Plan. Rs 1,645.60 crore has also been provided as Railway's share of diesel cess from the Central Road Fund. Market borrowing under EBR projected at Rs 17,655 crore, an increase of about 46.5%. Balance Plan outlay includes Rs 17,793 crore from Internal Resources and Rs. 5781 crore from PPP. Significantly, we are allocating large amounts towards Doubling, Traffic Facilities, Electrification and Passenger Amenities.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 2.7% for Cement.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 0.8% for Iron & Steel.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 10% for Urea.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 6.3% for Coal.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 3.1% for Scrap & Pig Iron.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 0.8% for Kerosene & LPG.
- ❖ Freight rate hiked by 2.7% for Slag.
- ❖ Freight Rate Lowered By 1% for High-speed Diesel.
- ❖ Freight Rate for Limestone & Manganese Lowered By 0.3%.

PROPOSED INVESTMENT PLAN (2015-2019)	
Item	Amount (Rs in crore)
Network Decongestion (including DFC, Electrification, Doubling including electrification and traffic facilities)	199,320
Network Expansion (including electrification)	193,000
National Projects (North Eastern & Kashmir connectivity projects)	39,000
Safety (Track renewal, bridge works, ROB, RUB and Signalling & Telecom)	127,000
Information Technology / Research	5,000
Rolling Stock (Locomotives, coaches, wagons – production & maintenance)	102,000
Passenger Amenities	12,500
High Speed Rail & Elevated corridor	65,000
Station redevelopment and logistic parks	100,000
Others	13,200
Total	856,020



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