

Ministry of Railways

Speedy Railway Tracks

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Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) signed between Government of India and Government of Japan for Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed rail project provides for manufacture of rolling stock under 'Make in India'. Also two train sets having maximum speeds of 160 kmph have been included in production programme for 2017-18 for Integral Coach Factory (ICF).

Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed rail project involving construction of high speed track has been sanctioned with financial and technical assistance from Government of Japan. The project is proposed to be commissioned by 2023. No PPP investments are proposed in the project. Also 'Mission Raftaar' announced in 2016-17 envisages doubling of average speeds of freight trains and increasing the average speeds of non-suburban passenger trains by 25 kmph in the next 5 years. Works at a cost of ₹ 18,163 crore have been sanctioned for upgrading the speeds to 160 kmph on New Delhi-Howrah and Mumbai-New Delhi sectors.

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