



# Golden Quadrilateral of Indian Railways

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Principal routes of the Railways on Golden Quadrilateral along with diagonals (Delhi – Mumbai, Delhi – Howrah, Howrah – Chennai, Chennai – Mumbai, Delhi – Chennai and Howrah – Mumbai) carry about 58% of freight traffic and 52% of coaching traffic with a share of approximately 15% of the network i.e. about 9100 Route kilometers.

Two speed raising projects have been included in Pink Book 2017-18. The projects cover Delhi-Mumbai and Delhi-Howrah routes. The details are as under:-

- New Delhi-Mumbai Route (including Vadodara-Ahmedabad), 1483 Route km has an estimated cost of ₹ 11,189 crore. This route passes through seven States viz. Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi.
- New Delhi-Howrah route (including Kanpur-Lucknow), 1525 Route kms has an estimated cost of ₹ 6974 crore. This route passes through five States viz. Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

The total average speed in current year i.e. 2017-18 of all goods trains is 23.1 kmph and passenger trains is 44.4 kmph in the country upto October' 2017

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