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As of October 2018, IR's total route km network stood at ~68,312 km which is the fourth largest in the world after the United States, China and Russia and the second largest under a single management/entity.

Of the total BG route km, around 49% of the length is currently electrified. 65.1% of total freight traffic and 54.3% of total passenger traffic is now hauled by electric traction.

Currently, around 31% of the total freight is transported through railways. From 2013-14 to 2017-18, freight traffic and earnings have grown at a CAGR of 2.47% and 5.66% respectively. During the same period, passenger earnings grew at a CAGR of 7.42%. Starting off on a strong footing at 8,425.09 million in 2013-14, passenger traffic steeply dipped in 2014-15. While it continued to fall in 2015-16, there was a slight improvement in passenger traffic for 2016-17 and 2017-18.

During the five-year period (2014-15 to 2018-19), IR's capital expenditure witnessed an upward trend. Railway capex for 2019-20 set at record level of Rs 1.6 trillion. Rolling stock has been a major thrust area for Indian Railways. New trains have been introduced. Preliminary works on India's first high-speed bullet train between Mumbai and Ahmedabad have commenced in full swing. IR is undertaking several initiatives to ensure passenger safety and security. Modernisation and mechanisation of rolling stock and station infrastructure is also being pursued more aggressively.

Inadequate capacity remains a major roadblock for Indian Railways (IR). Congestion on IR's network has also led to the inability to increase the number of trains, especially freight, to enhance revenues.

IR faces heavily unbalanced revenue streams. With the aim to provide affordable travel for the masses, IR plies passenger trains at low and static prices. To offset the losses, freight tariffs are kept high, making the other modes of transportation such as roads, more viable.

Lack of skilled staff and heavy dependence on public funding are other challenges affecting the railways sector.

According to India Infrastructure Research, the railways sector offers an investment opportunity of over Rs 10 trillion across various segments. Of this, 80 per cent is constituted by rail tunnels, doubling works and new line projects combined together.

In the next four to five years, IR plans to undertake 22,825 km of new line and 12,215 km of line doubling. Besides, it plans to electrify at least 28,000 rkm of railway network. Also, 3,360 km of DFC corridor is expected to be commissioned by 2020.

The eight proposed high speed rail (HSR) projects will entail a total investment of at least Rs 13 trillion over the next 15-20 years. In addition, nine semi HSR projects are in the planning stage.

Further, IR plans to manufacture a total of 4,941 coaches in 2019-20 and 4,839 coaches in 2020-21. It is also setting up 17 new manufacturing units at an estimated cost of Rs 390 billion.

About Rs 1.1 trillion worth of investment opportunities in station and commercial development around stations is anticipated under IR's station redevelopment programme.

Given the mandate to ramp up the renewable energy share in IR's total energy mix, IR has set ambitious targets of setting up 1,000 MW and 200 MW of solar and wind power respectively by 2020.

All-inclusive, the railways sector in India is poised to become one of the major drivers for economic growth in the country. Going forward, IR's network expansion and decongestion plans are expected to create huge opportunities for project developers, EPC contractors, technology providers, manufacturers of rolling stock, renewable energy developers, and transmission and distribution equipment providers.
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- Konkan Railway Corporation Limited
- Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation Limited
- Pipavav Railway Corporation Limited
- Rail India Technical and Economic Services Limited
- Rail Land Development Authority
- RailTel Corporation of India Limited
- Rail Vikas Nigam Limited

Monthly Updates
The 11 monthly updates will comprise 16-24 pages on:
- Analysis of Traffic and Earnings
- Performance of Production Units
- Key Efficiency Indicators
- Project Update
- Upcoming Tenders
- New Project Announcements (New Lines, High-Speed Rail, RRTS, Station Redevelopment, Port-rail Connectivity, etc.)
- Key Data and Statistics

Weekly Newsletters
The 52 weekly newsletters will comprise 4-6 pages. It will cover news developments in the railways sector relating to:
- Policy Announcements
- Government Initiatives
- Project Completions/Awards/Announcements
- Update on Key Programmes
- Key Financings
- Etc.
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