# Kathmandu-Pokhara Railway Project

## Project Details

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<th>Lead Government Agency</th>
<th>Office of the Investment Board; and Department of Railways of Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport</th>
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<td>Geographical Location (Districts)</td>
<td>6 Districts (Kathmandu, Dhading, Gorkha, Tanahaun, Nuwakot, Pokhara)</td>
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### Project Details

| Project Cost (In USD) | Pokhara to Kathmandu: 2830 Million  
Tamsariya - Bharatpur - Abukhaireni: 527 Million |
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| Project Land Required (in Ha.) | 151 ha of forest (Pokhara - Kathmandu)  
187 ha of forest (Tamsaria- Abukhaireni) |
| Project Documents Available | Feasibility Study Report |
| Form of Investment (PPP/Private Investment) | Public Private Partnership |
| Expected Fiscal Benefits to GoN | Establishment of physical infrastructures  
Creation of employment opportunities  
Better connectivity  
Development of industrial competitiveness  
Reduction of traffic congestion  
Improvement of road safety  
Reduction of pollution |
PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND RELEVANCE/ OBJECTIVES

Currently, it takes around five to six hours to travel from Kathmandu to Pokhara. According to the Department of Railways, upon completion of the railway, the regular travel time will shrink to two hours while the journey will be safe and environment-friendly.

RELEVANCE TO THE OVERALL ECONOMY

Implementation of this project is expected to facilitate public transport, as well as generate employment and contribute notably to the national economy through growth of economic activities.

SALIENT FEATURES OF THE PROJECT

Pokhara to Kathmandu
- Length : 187.083 km
- No of Bridges : 42
- Longest Bridge : 1295 m (Madi Nadi)
- No of Tunnels : 44 (107.277 km)
- Longest Tunnel : 14.525 km

Tamsariya - Bharatpur - Abukhaireni (link between Pokhara-Kathmandu and East-West Railway)
- Length : 71.729 km
- No of Bridges : 9
- Longest Bridge : 1250 m (Kaligandaki)
- No of Tunnels : 2 (20.416 km)
- Longest Tunnel : 11.7 km
APPLICATION PROCEDURE

PRE-QUALIFYING CRITERIA FOR THIS PROJECT

1) At least ten years’ experience of developing and managing a minimum of 100 kilometres electric rail projects.
2) Net worth equivalent to at least USD 1 billion at the time of making the application/proposal.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. The developer/investor who meet the above pre-qualifying criteria can make the application for this project.
2. Application may be made by a single entity or a group of entities (Consortium or JV) comprising up to three different companies/parties, including a Lead member, coming together to implement the project.
3. A consortium/JV may fulfill the pre-qualifying criteria in a joint/cumulative manner, except for the number of years of work experience.
4. A fee of NRs 10,000 shall be payable for each application made (with application to one project counting as a single application).
5. The fee must be paid to OIBN (to the OIBN office or a dedicated desk at the Nepal Investment Summit), or by electronic transfer to the following bank account of OIBN:

   Office Code: 301003502
   Office Name: Office of the Investment Board
   Revenue Heading: 14229
   Bank Name: Everest Bank Ltd.
   Swift Code: EVBLNPKA

   Please use ‘Company name_Project name’ as the reference code for the payment made in the case of an online payment.

6. After payment of the fee is made, the OIBN shall assign an engagement manager and may provide additional documents or information relevant to the project (if available).
7. Applicants should submit the detailed proposal with all required documents by 20th April 2019. Applications shall be submitted in physical copies to the OIBN or emailed to projects@ibn.gov.np.
8. The Government of Nepal (OIBN or relevant government agency at the relevant level of government) shall review the proposal and ask additional information if required.
DETAILED PROPOSAL CHECKLIST

1. Detailed profile of the developers/investors, including profile of senior management team, annual report and audited financial statements for at least past three years (2015, 2016 & 2017), and consortium agreement or JV agreement or Memorandum of Understanding in the case of consortiums or JV.
2. Project concept, plan, and information on financial, economic, technical and environmental feasibility.
3. Method of project implementation, project development modality and work schedule
4. Business plan with basic financial statements
5. Financial arrangement and source of investment
6. Socio-economic contribution to Nepal
7. Expected support from GoN
8. Other relevant information, if any

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