GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4576 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2016

KANDLA-BARMER RAILWAY LINE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to lay a new railway line from Kandla to Barmer via Sanchore to connect border area with railways in Jalore district under Public-Private-Partnership mode; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, a survey for Barmer-Sanchore-Dhanera new line (180 kms) was completed during 2014-15. As per the survey report, cost of the project was assessed as □ 1081 crore with a negative rate of return of 7.86%. Due to constraint of resources for new lines, its unremunerative nature and other competing priorities, the project could not be taken forward.
