

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1057
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

CONSTRUCTION OF HARIDASHPUR-PARADIP RAILWAY TRACK

1057. DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of construction of Haridashpur-Paradeep railway track in Odisha;**
- (b) the details of the allocation of funds for construction of above project; and**
- (c) the approximate timeframe for completion of the said project?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1057 BY DR. KULAMANI SAMAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2017 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF HARIDASHPUR-PARADIP RAILWAY TRACK

(a): Construction of a new broad gauge line between Haridashpur and Paradip has been taken up through a Special Purpose Vehicle viz. Haridaspur Paradip Railway Company Limited. M/s Rail Vikas Nigam Limited has been entrusted with execution of work. The latest anticipated cost of the project is ₹1118 crore and an expenditure of ₹459 crore has been incurred till 31.03.2016. Work of construction of minor and major bridges, earthwork etc. has been taken up.

(b): An outlay of ₹275 crore has been provided in the year 2016-17.

(c): The work of construction of important bridge across the Mahanadi river has been completed and the bridge across the Luna river is in advanced stage of completion.

As on date, 5.598 acre forest land and 45.462 acre private land have to be acquired. After acquisition of this land, the time frame for completion of the project can be decided. As many of these factors responsible for completion of a project are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways, it is not feasible to fix time frame for completion of this project.
