

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1071
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

BEYPORE RAIL LINE

1071. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Bepore rail line in Kozhikode, Kerala existed previously as back as 1861;**
- (b) if so, the present status of the said line;**
- (c) whether the Government is considering to resurrect this line on the model of old Ernakulam railway station being done now; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Yes, Madam. Rail line between Bepore in Kozhikode District and Tirur in Malapuram District was laid in 1861.

(b): The Rail line to Bepore was abandoned more than a century back and corresponding land has been taken over by the State Government prior to Independence.

(c) & (d) : No, Madam. State Government has taken over the land on full alignment of erstwhile railway line where road has been laid from Kadalundi to Chaliyam (upto river front). However, a Survey to connect Bepore with existing railway line to Kozhikode was conducted during 2012-13. As per the survey report, cost of construction of 8 Km long new line has been assessed as ₹ 82 crore. However, the proposed new line could not be taken forward.