

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5274
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2017**

KONKAN RAILWAY

**5274. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of the Konkan railway and the status of its several ongoing projects recently and if so, the outcome thereof, project-wise;**
- (b) whether Konkan Railway Corporation Limited has decided to invest over Rs. 4,500 crore to double its capacity in the next few years;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the areas and projects selected for development;**
- (d) whether the blueprint has been prepared in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Railways has accorded the approval for the proposals and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) Periodic review of the PSU's performance including Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) is a regular exercise. Work on Roha – Veer doubling (47 Kms) project has started. Tenders have been invited for railway electrification of the Konkan Railway (740 kms).

(b) & (c) Konkan Railway Corporation Limited has proposed Capacity Doubling of its route at a cost of ₹ 4980 Crore. The proposal envisages patch doubling of track for 147 kms and 21 New Railway Stations over Konkan Railway.

(d) Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been prepared by Konkan Railway Corporation Limited. The estimated cost as per DPR is ₹ 4980 crore including escalation and interest during construction. The project envisages augmentation of the line capacity.

(e) Approval of the proposal entails in-principle approval of Niti Aayog, appraisal by Expanded Board of Railways and approval of Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs. The process has been initiated.
