

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 960
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2017**

SABARI RAIL PROJECT

960. MOHAMMED FAIZAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Sabari Rail project in Kerala;**
- (b) the estimated construction cost of the project; and**
- (c) the State Government's participation, if any, in this 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. 960 BY MOHAMMED FAIZAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.02.2017 REGARDING SABARI RAIL PROJECT.

(a): On Angamali-Sabarimala new line project, it has been decided to terminate the project at Azutha, short of reserve forest area. On this project, Final Location Survey upto Ramapuram (70 km), works between Angamali-Kaladi (7.5 km) and major bridge across Periyar river have been completed.

(b): Estimated cost of the project is ₹1566 crore.

(c): Government of Kerala had consented to share 50% of the project cost of Angamali-Sabarimala new line project in 2015. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Ministry of Railways and Government of Kerala in January, 2016 for formation of Joint Venture (JV) company. JV company "Kerala Rail Development Corporation Ltd."(KRDCL) has been incorporated on 03.01.2017 to take up mutually identified viable projects and/or projects with viability gap funding. KRDCL in its 1st Board Meeting has not identified this project to be taken up on Joint Venture Route.
