

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 131  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2017**

**BULLET TRAIN THROUGH VIDARBHA REGION**

**†\*131. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :**

- (a) whether the Government is considering to connect Vidarbha region of Maharashtra with high speed/bullet trains;**
- (b) if so, the time by which the said region is likely to be connected with high speed/bullet trains; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 131 BY SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.12.2017 REGARDING BULLET TRAIN THROUGH VIDARBHA REGION.**

**(a) to (c) : In the Railway Budget 2014-15, setting up of Diamond Quadrilateral network of high speed rail connecting major metros and growth centres of the country was announced.**

**As a follow up of the announcement, feasibility studies of different segments connecting four major metros have been taken up. Mumbai-Nagpur segment of Mumbai-Kolkata section has been taken on hand under Government to Government cooperation with Government of Spain. Similarly, Delhi-Nagpur segment of Delhi-Chennai section has been taken on hand under Government to Government cooperation with Government of China. Sanction and implementation of project are tied to completion and findings of feasibility report, with regard to technical feasibility, financial viability and availability of resources.**

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