

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3213
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018**

LAYING KASTI-KEDGAON CHORD RAIL LINE

†3213. SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the probable date of starting work for laying Kasti-Kedgaon chord line (link line) for connecting Ahmednagar to Pune directly by rail;**
- (b) the reasons for inordinate delay in the implementation of the said project; and**
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned by the railways for this chord line?**

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. 3213 BY SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 14.03.2018 REGARDING LAYING KASTI-KEDGAON CHORD RAIL LINE

(a)and (b) The work of Kasti-Kedgaon chord line for connecting Ahmednagar to Pune with RE at Daund has been sanctioned in 2016-17. The preliminary work started by way of award of tenders and advance payment of ₹12.87 crore for 2.53 hectare land acquisition on 23.06.2017. However, work on ground can be started after land is handed over to Railways. Officers of Railways are coordinating with State Government to settle the issue of compensation to be paid to land owners including rate , stalls at platform and demand of jobs. It will take six working months to complete the work after encumbrance free land is handed over to Railways.

(c) The anticipated cost is ₹24.10 crore. The year wise allotment of fund is as under:

2017-18 ₹14.50 crore

2018-19 ₹5.00 crore

2019-20 ₹4.60 crore
