

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2442  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

**RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA**

**2442. PROF. RICHARD HAY:**

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

- (a) the total number of ongoing/pending railway projects in Kerala and the amount sanctioned and incurred for implementation of these projects during the last two years and the current year;**
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal for speedy implementation of new railway projects in Kerala, especially related to improvements at the Ernakulam Junction, Trivandrum junction and Thalasserry and Kozhikode stations;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor;**
- (d) whether the Government is pursuing the Thalasserry-Mysuru Railway projects; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2442 BY PROF. RICHARD HAY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 26.12.2018 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA**

**(a): 02 New Line and 08 Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Kerala are in various stages of planning/sanction/execution.**

**An expenditure of ₹ 996 crore has been incurred on New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Kerala during the last two years ( 2016-17 and 2017-18) and an outlay of ₹ 527.42 crore has been provided for New Line, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Kerala during the current year ( 2018-19).**

**(b) and (c): Shoranur-Mangalore 3<sup>rd</sup> line project costing ₹ 1518 crore for 107 Km length has been included in Budget 2018-19 subject to requisite clearances.**

**Union Cabinet has approved Railways' proposal for redevelopment of Railway stations by Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC) as Nodal Agency, thorough simplified procedures and for longer lease tenure. Accordingly, necessary action has been initiated for redevelopment of important Railway stations all over India in a phased manner, including stations in the State of Kerala like Ernakulam Junction, Trivandrum Junction, Thalasserry and Kozhikode stations. Bids are under evaluation in respect of Kozhikode station. Concept plan has been prepared for Ernakulam station.**

**(d) and (e): Kerala Rail Development Corporation Ltd.(KRDC), a Joint Venture company of Ministry of Railways and Government of Kerala has taken up the preparation of Detailed Project Report of Thalassery-Mysuru new line project (240 Km).**