

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4081
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

DELAY IN JOLARPET-KRISHNAGIRI RAILWAY PROJECT

4081. DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposed Jolarpet-Krishnagiri railway project is getting delayed resulting in huge cost overrun;**
- (b) if so, the details of the project and the reasons for the delay in its execution;**
- (c) the details of funds spent so far on this project; and**
- (d) the steps taken by the railways to expedite the execution of this project to check any further cost escalation?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Surveys for Jolarpettai-Hosur via Krishnagiri new line were conducted during 2000-01, 2005-06, 2008-09 & 2010-11 to assess feasibility of taking up the project. As per survey completed in 2010-11 the cost of 101 Km new line was ₹ 688 crore with Rate of Return (-) 2.25%. Project being financially unremunerative could not be taken forward. However, a fresh survey has been sanctioned in 2018-19. Survey has been taken up.

(c) and (d): Do not arise.
