

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 321
ANSWERED ON 21.07.2023

INDIAN PORT RAIL CORPORATION

321. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Indian Port Rail Corporation Limited has undertaken any survey to connect Jaisalmer-Barmer-Bhavtada to Kandla port in the Arabian Sea for cargo handling in order to promote import/export;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total established cost of the project; and
- (d) the details of the action taken by the Government for the processing and implementation of the project?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. IPRCL has prepared the project report for "Route rationalization and cost optimization for proposed alignment between Jaisalmer-Barmer- Bhabhar (357.28 KM) in January 2018. The estimated Construction cost of the project is Rs. 1117.00 Cr. as per report submitted by the IPRCL. Further, Indian Railways had also done survey of the said link in the year 2012-13. The rate of the return for the project is (-) 7.74% (Minus). Therefore, Ministry of Railways did not execute the project on the basis of non-viability.
