

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3842
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2019**

CHIKMAGALUR TO KADUR RAILWAY LINE

3842. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the time by when the construction of Chikmagalur to Kadur railway line would be completed and the hurdles in the construction of this rail line;**
- (b) the present status of establishing a new Coaching Depot at Shimoga;**
- (c) the present status of electrification to Birur to Talaguppa, Mysore to Mangalore including Arasikere and Hassan, Kadur to Chikmagalur and Mysore to Chamarajanagar railway lines; and**
- (d) whether Karnataka is among the three worst States in the country with regard to electrification of railway lines, behind only Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3842 BY KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 11.12.2019 REGARDING CHIKMAGALUR TO KADUR RAILWAY LINE

(a): Kadur-Chikmagalur new line is part of Kadur-Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur new line project (93 Km). On this project, Kadur-Chikmagalur section (46 Km) has been commissioned.

For works on balance portion i.e. Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur (47 km), Government of Karnataka has agreed to provide land free of cost and share 50% cost of Chikmagalur-Belur-Sakleshpur portion of the project in 2013. Out of this, work on Belur-Sakleshpur portion (20 Km) has been dropped on the request of Government of Karnataka and sanctioning of Hassan (Alur)-Belur new line project (32 Km) has been sanctioned in 2018-19.

Land acquisition documents for 310 acre land for Chikmagalur-Belur section have already been submitted in May 2013. Out of this, 25 acre land has been made available by the State Government. Land acquisition for balance 285 acre land taken up.

(b): The work of Development of Coaching Depot at Koteganguru station adjacent to Shimoga was sanctioned at a cost of ₹ 62 crore in 2019-20. The Detailed Project Report is under finalization. After following due process, tender will be invited in current year.

(c): The electrification of Birur-Talaguppa, Mysuru-Mangalore including Arsikere-Hassan, Kadur-Chikmagalur and Mysuru-Chamarajanagar sections was sanctioned in September, 2018. All these projects are under process of tendering.

(d): Presently, in Karnataka, out of total 3,746 Broad Gauge (BG) Route Kilometer (RKM), 664 RKM have been electrified, which is 17.73% of total BG rail network of Karnataka. Out of balance BG routes of 3,082 RKM, 2,135 RKM are sanctioned during last 3 years (i.e. 2016-17, 2017-18 & 2018-19). Decision for 100% electrification has already been taken.
