

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 479  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.11.2019**

**RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ODISHA**

**479. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:**

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

**(a) whether the Railways consider to sanction “Rayagada-Gopalpur via Gunupur-Bhismagiri and Digapahandi” project and if so, the details thereof;**

**(b) whether the Railways proposes to introduce a new daytime train from Koraput/Jeyapore to Bhubaneswar/Puri via Rayagada by the name of “Sabara Srikhetra Express”;**

**(c) the current status of Jeyapore-Nabarangpur and Jeyapore-Malkangiri new rail line projects;**

**(d) the reasons for delay in completion of the projects;**

**(e) the Ministry of Railways is working on upgrading Jeyapore as a Junction before the above projects are completed and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**

**(f) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 479 BY SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.11.2019 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS IN ODISHA.**

**(a): Survey for 258 km new line from Gopalpur to Rayagada via Gunupur, Bhismagri and Digapahandi was completed in 2011-12. Subsequently, the project of Gopalpur-Singapur Road (Rayagada) was included in capital investment programme 2017-18 in anticipation that Joint Venture (JV) company of Odisha State will take up this project for feasibility and execution. However, JV company has not yet identified this project so far.**

**(b): No, Sir. At present, there is no such proposal.**

**(c) & (d): Jeypore-Nabarangpur (38 Km) new line was included in Budget 2016-17. State Government of Odisha has to provide land free of cost and has to share 50% construction cost of the Project. The latest cost of the project is ₹747.91 crore. An outlay of ₹10 crore has been provided in the Budget 2019-20. Final Location Survey has been completed. Total requirement of land for acquisition has been submitted to the State Government in February/March 2018. State Government has to expedite land acquisition process, as physical execution of work is taken up after complete land is handed over to Railway by State Government of Odisha.**

**Jeypore-Malkangiri (130 Km) new line was included in Budget 2016-17. The latest cost of the project is ₹2343.64 crore. An outlay of ₹70**

**crore has been provided in Budget 2019-20. This Project is sanctioned on cost sharing basis. State Government of Odisha has to share 25% cost of the project. Final Location Survey (FLS) has been completed for 1st 30 Km from Jeypore end and land acquisition proposal for 581.98 acre land submitted with State Government of Odisha.**

**For balance section, Final Location Survey and preparation of land acquisition proposal has been taken up. Physical execution of work is taken up after complete land is handed over to Railway by State Government of Odisha.**

**(e) & (f): The Master Plan for Jeypore has been approved on 07.12.2018. Provision has been made for new station building while commissioning Jeypore-Malkangiri new line, 600 metre long platform with pathway, toilet facility, platform benches, water stands, foot over bridge of 3.25 meter wide, platform shelter (3 bays) and approach roads to goods platforms.**

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