

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 317
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2021**

CONSTRUCTION OF PUNE-NASIK RAILWAY LINE

†*317. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for construction of Pune-Nasik railway line in Maharashtra;**
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof; and**
- (c) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed along with the amount of funds likely to be spent in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF
STARRED QUESTION NO. 317 BY SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE
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(a) to (c): The project Pune-Nasik new double (Semi High Speed) BG line (235 Km) has been taken up by Maharashtra Rail Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.(MRIDCL), a Joint Venture company of Ministry of Railway (50%) and Government of Maharashtra (50%), for development at a cost of ₹ 16,039 Cr. In Principle approval has been given for this project on 02.06.2020 for taking up pre-investment activities. Project has been referred to State Government for their support. The financial structure of the project is as under:-

Share of Ministry of Railway-	₹ 3208 Cr
Share of Government of Maharashtra-	₹ 3208 Cr
Bank Loan-	₹ 9623 Cr

The project is not yet sanctioned. Completion of any Railway project depends on various factors like quick land acquisition by State Government, forest clearance by officials of forest department, shifting of infringing utilities, statutory clearances from various authorities, geological and topographical conditions of area, law and order situation in the area of project site, number of working months in a year for particular project site due to climate conditions etc. and all these factors affect the completion time of the project. As such, no confirmed time frame for completion of projects can be ascertained at this stage.
