

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2096
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2015**

DOUBLE RAIL TRACK

2096. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any proposal to start Chennai-Kanyakumari double rail track project;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be started?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

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

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2096 BY DR. C.
GOPALAKRISHNAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON
03.08.2015 REGARDING DOUBLE RAIL TRACK.**

(a) to (c): On Chennai-Kanniyakumari route, double broad gauge line already exists between Chennai-Chengalpattu and Dindigul-Madurai sections. Project-wise status of works taken up in balance portion is given as under:-

1. Chengalpattu-Villupuram (103 Km)

On this project, Villupuram-Karunguzhi (83 Km) section has already been commissioned and track linking of balance portion i.e. Karunguzhi-Chengalpattu (20 Km) has also been completed.

2. Villupuram-Dindigul (273 km)

On this project, Ariyalur-Kalakuddi Palanganathan-Valadi section (50 Km) has already been commissioned and track linking work on 169 Km for Tiruvenainallur-Tallanallur (49 Km), Mathur-Ariyalur (25 km), Srirangam-Vaiyampatti (62 Km) & Kalpattichatram-Dindigul (33 km) sections have been completed. Earthwork and bridges in balance portion have also been taken up.

3. Madurai-Maniyachi-Tuticorin (80 Km), Maniyachi-Nagercoil (170 Km) and Trivandrum-Nagercoil-Kanniyakumari (85 Km)

Works included in the Budget 2015-16 subject to requisite approvals of the Government.
