

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3407  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2015**

**STATUS OF RAIL PROJECTS**

**†3407. SHRI BODHSINGH BHAGAT:**

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

- (a) the status of the progress on Balaghat, Nainpur, Jabalpur and Katangi, Tirodi broad-gauge construction work;**
- (b) whether the No Objection Certificate (NOC) for forest and Environment clearance for the aforesaid broad gauge construction work has been received;**
- (c) if so, the time by which the construction work is likely to be completed; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

**(a): On this project, Gondia-Balaghat including MOIL Limited siding (43 Km) and Balaghat- Katangi (47 Km) sections have been completed and commissioned. On Nainpur-Jabalpur (113 Km) section, earthwork, bridges and ROBs/RUBs have been taken up. Work in Balaghat-Nainpur section (75 Km) has been suffering for want of forestry/wildlife clearance.**

**(b): Conditional Stage-I approval for diversion of 75.97 hectares of Forest land in Balaghat District has been accorded by Ministry of Environment and Forest in February'2015.**

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**(c)&(d): No time line can be fixed for completion of the project as conditions laid down in 'Stage-I' clearance are to be fulfilled by several Departments/Institutions including Wildlife Institute of India (Dehradun), Ministry of Railways, Government of Madhya Pradesh etc.**

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