GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 931 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015

DOUBLING OF RAIL LINE

931. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have started the doubling of Rajkot-Viramgam railway line project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its present status; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): On Rajkot-Viramgam route, the doubling of Surendranagar-Viramgam (65 km) has been taken up at an anticipated cost of ₹ 382 crore. An expenditure of ₹ 300 crore has been incurred upto March, 2015 and balance outlay has been provided for this project in the year 2015-16. 42 km section has already been commissioned and for balance length (23 km), track linking has been completed. Further, doubling of Rajkot-Surendranagar section (116 km) has been sanctioned in the current Railway Budget 2015-16 at a cost of ₹ 1315.23 crore subject to requisite approval. An outlay of ₹ 80.07 crore has been provided for this project for the year 2015-16. Since this project is in approval stage, no time frame has been fixed for completion of doubling of this route.

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