

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2833
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2015**

VILLUPURAM-DINDIGUL PROJECT

2833. SHRI ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Villupuram-Dindigul, a 273 km double track railway project has been delayed for four years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay;**
- (c) whether any time line has been fixed to complete this proposed project;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the details of budget allocated for the project?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (e) Villupuram-Dindigul doubling with electrification (273 kms) was included in Railway Budget 2008-09 and track linking in 253 kms length has already been completed. Out of this completed length, 90 kms section has been commissioned. An allotment of ₹ 520 cr. has been made for this project in 2015-16, against ₹ 265 cr. allocated in 2014-15 and ₹ 286 cr. allocated in 2013-14.

Due to delay in handing over of land by Government of Tamil Nadu, no target has been fixed for completion of doubling of the balance section.
