

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2902
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2015**

NEW BOARD GAUGE BETWEEN NALGONDA AND MACHERLA

2902. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposal of new broad gauge railway line from Nalgonda to Macherla is pending with the railways for approval for change of alignment and allocation of sufficient funds for taking up the project;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the railways has taken any decision in this regard; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

(a) to (d) Yes, Madam. Macherla-Nalgonda (92 Km.) new line project was taken up at an anticipated cost of ₹815 crores. At the stage of Final Location Survey, issue of change of alignment was raised by public representatives and the State Government but in the meantime, a bankability study was conducted by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited and it was found that the project is financially unviable and can neither be implemented through Special Purpose Vehicle route nor through Public Private Partnership mode. So the project could not be taken forward.
