

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3998
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.12.2015**

BHIND AND MAHOBA LINE

†3998. DR. BHAGIRATH PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is only one single railway line from Bhind to Mahoba and Jhansi to Kanpur;**
- (b) if so the details thereof and the details of railway lines for which survey was carried out between Bhind and Mahoba;**
- (c) whether there is proposal for approving the construction of railway line between Bhind and Mahoba in the upcoming Rail Budget; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Bhind is connected to Mahoba via Gwalior-Jhansi-Harpalpur by a broad gauge line. A survey was conducted for a direct rail connectivity between Bhind and Mahoba (217 km) in 2012. As per the Survey Report, the cost was assessed as ₹1748.50 Crores (2012 price level) with a negative Rate of Return (ROR) of 12.93%. Due to large throwforward of ongoing projects, unremunerative nature of this project and overall limited availability of resources with Railways, the project could not be taken up.

Jhansi is connected to Kanpur by a single broad gauge line. A project for doubling this section (206 km) has been taken up at a sanctioned cost of ₹1140 Crores. An amount of ₹51 Crores has been spent upto 31.03.15 and ₹400 Crores have been allocated for the current financial year.
