

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 501
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015**

IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW RAILWAY LINE

501. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of implementation of Angamaly-Sabarimala Railway line in Kerala;**
- (b) the details of major reasons for inordinate delay in implementing the above line;**
- (c) whether a field office is functioning for implementation of this project and if so, the details thereof including expenses incurred by the Government in this regard so far;**
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to abandon this project; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof including reasons for such decision?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) Track linking on Angamali-Kaladi section (7 Km) of the project has been completed. Earthwork and bridge works have been taken up in Kaladi-Perumbavoor (11 Km) section.**
- (b) This project has suffered delay due to late finalization of alignment by State Government, local resistance against land acquisition, court cases, abnormal increase in land cost, etc.**

(c) Construction Office at Ernakulam is implementing Angamali-Sabarimala new line project. An expenditure of ₹163 crore has been incurred on this project upto March, 2015.

(d) No, Madam.

(e) Does not arise.
