

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 506
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015**

KANNUR AIRPORT RAILWAY LINE

506. SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposal from Government of Kerala for construction of Kannur-Kannur Airport railway line; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of the proposal?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Survey for Kannur-Mattannur new line (23 Km) has been completed in January, 2013. Cost of this line has been assessed as ₹ 237 crore with a rate of return of (-) 4%. The proposed new line could not be sanctioned due to unremunerative nature of the line and large number of ongoing new line projects.

However, an updating survey for this new line has been included in the Budget 2015-16 to explore traffic potential of the line and reassess its viability.
