

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3094
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2016**

PANDHARPUR-LONAND RAILWAY LINE

3094.SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to lay Pandharpur-Lonand railway line;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the present status of this project; and**
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government for speedy work keeping in mind the pilgrimage location of Pandharpur?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (d): A survey for a new line between Pandharpur-Lonand (109 km) was completed in 2009-10. As per the survey report, the cost assessed was ` 251 crore with negative ROR of 5%. The project could not be taken forward due to its unremunerative nature and huge throwforward of ongoing projects. However, to reassess its viability, updating exercise has been taken up.