

Electrification of Railway Lines In Kerala

3603. PROF. P. J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the economic viability of electrification of railway lines in Kerala has been established through any study;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) when Government plan to start electrification in Kerala?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is, at present, no plans for taking up electrification of any of the sections falling in the State of Kerala.

Conversion of Guntur-Macherla Railway Line

3604. SHRI V SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which the work for conversion of Guntur-Macherla metre gauge line into broad gauge was sanctioned;

(b) the length of the line proposed, the estimated cost of the scheme at the time of sanction;

(c) the length of the line which is converted into broad gauge, the total amount spent upto 31st March, 1987; and

(d) the likely date by which the scheme is likely to be completed and the present estimated cost of the scheme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD). (a) 1974-75.

(b) Its length is 130 Km. Estimated cost of the conversion at the time of approval was Rs. 8.15 crore.

(c) No portion of the line has been converted into BG so far. Expenditure upto 31-3-87 is Rs. 5.45 crore.

(d) Its completion will depend on availability of resources in the coming years. Its present estimated cost is Rs. 60.07 crore.

Telapur-Patanchervu Railway Line

3605. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work viz. Telapur-Patanchervu broad gauge line was surveyed and sanctioned;

(b) the estimated cost of the scheme;

(c) the total amount that has been spent on this schemes as on 31st March, 1987; and

(d) the likely date by which the project would be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 7 crore.

(c) Rs. 2.97 crore.

(d) Its completion will depend on the availability of resources for New Lines in the coming years.

Nidubrolu-Nizampatnam Railway Line

3606. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO:

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work for Nidubrolu to Nizampatnam new broad gauge line was surveyed in 1985;

(b) the length of the line proposed and its estimated cost;