

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SURVEY FOR MYSORE-MANGALORE AND MYSORE-TELlicherry LINE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted survey for construction of Mysore-Mangalore and Mysore-Tellicherry new rail lines in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount spent thereon; and

(c) the progress of the survey as on date, project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c): A survey for construction of new rail line from Mysore to Mangalore is already in progress. Field Survey has been completed and report is under process. Further consideration of this project would be possible once the survey report becomes available.

A survey for construction of new line from Mysore to Tellicherry via Coorg has already been completed in 1997-98. As per the survey report, cost of construction of 298 km. long line has been assessed as Rs. 864 crore with rate of return of (-) 3.66%. In view of grossly unremunerative nature of the line and heavy throwforward of ongoing projects, it has not been found feasible to consider this project.