

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1189

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ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR HARIDASPUR-PARADEEP RAIL LINE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether land acquisition for Haridaspur-Paradeep Rail line is delayed for non-remittance of funds by the Union Government for land acquisition;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details of the present position thereof;
- (c) whether the Government propose to postpone the construction of this new rail link to Paradeep due to lack of financial support; and
- (d) if not, the steps being taken to expedite the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a)&(b): The Railway has deposited Rs. 5 crore in August, 1997 towards land acquisition for Haridaspur-Paradeep New Line. The State Government has handed over possession of only 51.6 acres out of 1030 acres for which demand has been placed. Further amount will be remitted on receipt of the detailed utilization certificate from the State Government.

(c) : No, Sir. However, the work will be progressed as per availability of resources.

(d): Does not arise.