

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1684
ANSWERED ON:02.08.2001
GAUGE CONVERSION OF NAUPADA-GUNUPUR RAIL LINE
HEMA GAMANG;TRILOCHAN KANUNGO

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have received necessary clearance to implement the gauge conversion of the existing Naupada-Gunupur railway line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to expedite the necessary clearance;
- (d) the funds allocated, released and expenditure incurred thereon during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002; and
- (e) the time by which the said conversion is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The proposal has already been ~praised by Planning Commission and considered by Expanded Board. The proposal is now being processed for further clearances.
- (d) Outlay provided for 1:his work has been Rs. 1000/- during 1999-2000, Rs, 5.10 cr during 2000-01 and Rs. 10 lacs during 2001-02. The expenditure on the work will be incurred after obtaining requisite clearances.
- (e) Time for completion of work would depend upon getting the requisite clp.arances and availability of resources in the coming years.