

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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GAUGE CONVERSION OF MIRAJ-LATUR RAIL LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the gauge conversion of Miraj-Latur railway line in Maharashtra is pending for a long time;
- (b) if so, the time by which this project was approved to the funds allocated/released for the project along with the cost of the project;
- (c) the reasons for delay in completion of this project;
- (d) the steps taken by the government for early completion of the project?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): The project was sanctioned in 1993-94. The anticipated cost of the project is Rs.329 crores. The total funds so far allocated upto 2000-2001 for this work since its sanction is Rs.105.30 crores. An outlay of Rs.20 crores has been proposed during 2001-2002.

(c) and (d): The work is being progressed in a phased manner as per availability of resources.