

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2664  
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EXPANSION OF RAILWAY NETWORK IN AGARTALA  
M. JAGANNATH

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to link Agartala with other parts of the country with the rail network by 2006;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): The work of new line from Kumarghat to Agartala is in progress, which on completion will provide rail connectivity to Agartala. Kumarghat-Manu is targeted for completion during 2002-2003. No target date for the whole project has yet been fixed. The line would be completed in the coming years as per availability of resources.

(c): Earthwork, bridgeworks and other works on the entire length have been taken up and are in various stages of progress. An outlay of Rs.80 cr. has been provided during 2002-2003 to expedite progress.