

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:805

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DOUBLING AND ELECTRIFICATION OF ERNAKULAM-KAYAMKULAM RAILWAY LINE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation of Members of Parliament of Kerala regarding doubling and electrification of Ernakulam-Kayamkulam rail line both via Alleppey and Kottayam;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the above doubling and electrification works are likely to be undertaken ?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c): The survey for doubling of Ernakulam-Kayamkulam both via Alleppey and Kottayam has just been completed and the report is under finalisation in consultation with the Railway.

Electrification of Ernakulam-Kayamkulam section, which is a part of Ernakulam-Trivandrum electrification project, has been included in the Railway Budget 1999-2000, subject to the work being taken up after receipt of necessary clearances, which are in the process of being obtained.