

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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ELECTRIFICATION OF EAST COAST RAILWAY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed any target for completion of electrification of East-Coast Railways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the allocation of funds made so far for the purpose; and
- (d) the steps taken to expedite the electrification work?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) & (b) : 44% of total route kilometres of East-Coast Railway is already electrified. Electrification work on Kharagpur-Bhubaneswar and Cuttack-Paradeep sections, which falls in East-Coast Railway, is in progress. Kharagpur-Bhubaneswar section is targeted for completion by Dec, 2005.

(c) & (d) : Rs.19.50 crore have been allotted during the year 2005-06 for the above project and the progress of the work is being regularly monitored.