

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL LINE BETWEEN INDIA AND PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to open Munabao-Khokhrapar railway link route between India and Pakistan;
- (b) if so, whether approval of the Government of Pakistan has been obtained for this railway route;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred on the construction of the above railway link route; and
- (e) the time by which the Munabao-Khokhrapar train facility is likely to be started?

Answer

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

- (a) to (c) and (e) In the Joint Statement issued at the end of the visit of Hon`ble President of Pakistan to India on April 18, 2005, it has been agreed to re-establish the Munabao (India) – Khokhrapar (Pakistan) route by 1st January, 2006.
- (d) The estimated expenditure likely to be incurred on restoration of track from Munabao station to International Border between India and Pakistan is Rs. 10.73 Crore.