

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2401
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GAUGE CONVERSION OF KANPUR M.G. LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the project of gauge conversion of Kanpur metre gauge line is under consideration of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the projects envisages Hathras Road Railway Station as an ideal place for an alternative route to Delhi-Kanpur and Delhi-Agra and vice-versa by inter-linking both the proposed and already existing lines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to inter-link the same gauge?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The gauge conversion of Kanpur-Kasganj-Mathura & Kasganj-Bareilly-Lalkuan (544.50 Kms) is already a sanctioned project at an estimated cost of Rs. 661.72 crore. On the project section, Kanpur-Farrukhabad section (140 Kms) is targeted for completion during 2005-06.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): The surface crossing with Kanpur-Aligarh main line has not been considered desirable from operational considerations.
- (f): Does not arise.