

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3303

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SURVEY OF DARBHANGA, KUSHESHWAR, STHAN, BEHRI, SCINDIA, RAILWAY LINE

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

- (a) whether the Government had conducted the survey for Darbhanga-Kusheshwar-Sthan-Behri-Scindia railway line in September, 1997;
- (b) if so, the details of the survey report;
- (c) whether the Government has re-started the survey work of this railway line; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the rationale behind conducting of new survey after spending huge expenditure on earlier survey?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): A survey for Darbhanga and Saharsa via Kusheswarasthan new line was conducted in 1996-97. As per the results of the survey, cost of the 94 km long line had been assessed as Rs.166 crore at the then prevailing price level.

(c) & (d) : Survey for new line from Kusheswarasthan to Darbhanga has been taken up. The survey has been taken up on persistent demands of the people of the area to reassess the traffic potential on this route.