

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3293
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2005
RAILWAY PROJECTS OF KERALA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the railway projects submitted by the Government of Kerala during 2005-06;
- (b) the details of the projects which have been accepted;
- (c) the reasons for rejection of the remaining projects;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that the inadequate fund allocation to the various railway projects in Kerala is hampering the progress of these projects; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken to provide adequate funds for timely completion of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3293 BY SHRI T.K. HAMZA AND SHRIMATI C.S. SUJATHA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15-12-2005 REGARDING RAILWAY PROJECTS OF KERALA.

(a) to (c): Record of each and every demand received for new railway projects is not maintained. However, details of the proposals for new railway projects received from Government of Kerala during 2005-06 is as under:-

Sl. No.	Proposal	Action Taken
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| 1. | Rail connectivity to Vallarpadam | The project has not been found to be viable . The project can be implemented as private railway by Cochin Port Trust which has been advised to the Port Authorities. |
| 2. | Nilambur-Nanjangud Town new line | Survey for construction of new rail line from Nilambur Road to Nanjangud has already been completed. In view of unremunerative nature of the line and acute resource constraint with the Railways, this proposal could not be considered. |
| 3. | Chengannur-Mulanturutti doubling | On this alignment, patch doubling of Kuruppantara-Mulanturutti section has been approved. |
| 4. | Electrification of Shoranur-Mangalore | Electrification of various sections is taken up in priority of traffic density of the route.Shoranur-Mangalore section will be taken up for electrification as and when it becomes due. |

(d) & (e): The funds to various projects are being provided as per availability of resources based on State-wise formula. The funds to projects in Kerala are also being provided as per the formula and the projects are not getting delayed on account of fund constraint.

