

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3377
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GAUGE CONVERSION PROJECT IN M.P
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Railways have received any proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for changing narrow gauge railway line into broad gauge between Indore-Ratlam, Ratlam-Khandwa, Indore- Ujjain and Indore-Khandwa;
- (b) If so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken by the Railways on these proposals;
- (c) Whether the Railways propose to start the work of gauge conversion of these railway lines; and
- (d) If so, the steps being taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): As per available records, request from the Hon`ble Chief Minister and Minister for Forest & Transport, Government of Madhya Pradesh have been received. Updating survey for gauge conversion of Ratlam-Akola via Indore & Khandwa including Fatehabad Chandravatiganj-Ujjain branch line has been taken up.

(c): Work is not sanctioned.

d): Does not arise.