

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2181  
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DOUBLING OF RAIL LINE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any proposal for doubling of the railway line between Surat and Bhusawal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the length in kilometres of the railway line since doubled so far; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to complete the remaining work at an early date?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): On Surat-Bhusawal line, double line already exists between Surat-Udhna (4 Km) and Jalgaon-Bhusawal (25 Km) sections. A survey for doubling of the remaining section i.e. Udhna-Jalgaon (306.93 km) has also been completed in 2003-04. As per the survey report, the cost of 306.93 Km long double electrified line has been assessed as Rs. 578.84 crore with a rate of return of 6.11%. The survey report is under finalization in consultation with Western Railway. Further decision would be taken once the results of the survey are finalized.