

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3274
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CONVERSION OF BROADGAUGE LINE BETWEEN RAJKOT TO VARAVAL
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has completed the work on conversion of broadgauge line between Rajkot to Varaval (Somnath) in Junagarh District, Gujarat;
- (b) if so, whether the inspection has taken place after the completion of work; and
- (c) if so, the time by which the trains were likely be introduced in this sector?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Yes, Sir. The Commissioner for Railway Safety (CRS) has already inspected the section and certified fit for passenger train operations after compliance of certain items.

(c): The section is already opened for goods train services. However, passenger services would be introduced after compliance of items pointed out by CRS which may be over by 30.9.2004.