

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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GAUGE CONVERSION OF RAILWAY LINE AT VANI RAILWAY STATION

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

- (a) whether the conversion of metre gauge railway line into broad gauge railway line at 'Vani' railway station under Central Railways in Madhya Pradesh has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the track is likely to be made operational on that route;
- (d) the names of the trains which are proposed to be run on that route;
- (e) whether the developmental work of 'Vani' railway station has been completed; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

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

(a), (b), (e) & (f): There is no meter gauge on Central Railway. Neither there is Vani station on the Railway. However, there is a station by the name 'Wani' which is already on broad gauge. The work of provision of panel interlocking, signaling & communication facilities for introduction of passenger services on Wani-Pimpalkutti section is under execution by Central Railway.

(c): It is likely to be made operational for passenger trains by March ,2007.

(d): Introduction of 7609/7610 Purna-Patna Express (weekly) via Nanded-Adilabad-Majri-Nagpur and extension of 7605/7606 Mumbai CST-Nanded Nandigram Express upto Nagpur via Adilabad-Majri (after gauge conversion) have been announced in Railway Budget 2006-07.