

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2321  
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NEW RAIL LINE ON FALAUDI- KANDALA ROUTE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any survey have been conducted for laying new rail line on Falaudi-Kandala route;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the work for laying new railway line on above route has been started; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRIR. VELU )

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): On the suggested alignment, surveys for construction of Kolayat-Pokhran-Barmer via Phalodi and Jaisalmer-Barmer-Kandla Port have been completed. As per the survey reports, cost of construction of 300 Kms. long Kolayat-Pokhran-Barmer line had been assessed as Rs. 468.9 crore with a rate of return of (-) 31.31% and cost of construction of 562.5 Kms. long Jaisalmer-Barmer-Kandla Port line had been assessed as Rs. 991.39 crore with a rate of return of (-) 0.95%.

(c): No, Sir. The work on Phalodi-Kandla route has not been taken up.

(d): Does not arise.