

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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THIRD TRACK BETWEEN AHMEDABAD AND MUMBAI

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have conducted any survey regarding a third track between Ahmedabad and Mumbai in view of the increasing volume of traffic thereon ;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the survey report; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto ?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) : Updating Survey for construction of third line between Virar and Ahmedabad was completed during 2004-05. As per the survey report, cost of construction of third line (504 Kms) on this section had been assessed as Rs.1851 crore.

(c): The capacity on this route is being augmented by adopting Automatic Signalling. The construction of Dedicated Freight Corridor on the Western route will also provide additional capacity on this route.