

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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DOUBLING OF LINE FROM SEALDAH TO BANGAON IN EASTERN RAILWAY

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the project of doubling of line from Sealdah to Bongaon in Eastern Railway, which had been sanctioned long ago;
- (b) the time by which this project is likely to be completed and the total cost of the project;
- (c) the reason for the inordinate delay in completion of the project; and
- (d) the details of the Budgetary allocation for this project in the current budget allocation?

Answer

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

- (a) : Sealdah to Habra is already a double line section. The work of doubling of Habra-Chandpara and Chandpara-Bongaon have been taken up. Earth work and bridge works are in progress on Habra-Chandpara section, while preliminary works have been taken up on Chandpara-Bongaon section.
- (b) & (c) : The total cost of the two sanctioned doubling works from Habra to Bongaon is Rs.68.29 cr. The target has not yet been fixed for completion and the same would depend upon availability of resources.
- (d) Outlay of Rs.3.00 crore has been provided for these two doubling works in 2004-05.