

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2428
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CONSTRUCTION OF BHIWADI-DELHI-AHMEDABAD RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways is contemplating to approve the construction of Bhiwadi-Delhi- Ahmedabad Railway line;
- (b) if so, the time by which the said project is likely to be approved; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A survey for construction of new broad gauge line between Rewari-Bhiwadi was completed in 2003-04. As per the survey report, the cost of construction of 24.87 kms long line had been assessed as Rs.105.04 crore with a Rate of Return as (-) 8.56%. The State Government of Rajasthan expressed their willingness to take up this project under National Capital Region Plan and Assistance to the State for Infrastructure Development for Export and Allied Activities (ASIDE) Scheme. The matter was referred to the State Government for bearing the cost of the project but there was no response in this regard. In view of this, the proposed new line was not taken up due to its unremunerative nature and constraint of resources.