

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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DOUBLING OF KONKAN RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways have conducted any survey for doubling the Konkan Railway line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the findings of the survey;
- (c) whether there is an inordinate delay in the execution of work of doubling the Shornur–Mangalore rail line;
- (d) if so, the reasons for the delay; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (e): Doubling of the Shornur – Mangalore route has already been completed and commissioned except 3 km long section between Netravati and Kankanadi (Mangalore) which includes major bridge works across Netravati river. The progress of work in this portion was affected due to termination of contracts. There were serious problems in fixing new agency for execution of work. Certain technical problems were encountered at site, which have now been overcome. It is expected that this work will get completed during 2009-10.