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Title : Need to re-start the construction of railway line linking Udhampur, Katra & Banihal in Jammu & Kashmir.

CHAUDHARY LAL SINGH (UDHAMPUR): The construction work of railway line from Udhampur to Katra and Katra to Banihal is closed due to unknown reasons. Rs. 1100/- crores have already been spent on this line. A large area of canal land was damaged, lakhs of trees uprooted for the construction of this railway line. Thousands of construction workers, labourers, and equipments are lying idle for the last eight months due to termination of construction work with the result that Jammu & Kashmir is still longing for railway link to other parts of the country. Hon'ble Speaker through you, I request the Government to re-start construction of the railway line.