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Title: Regarding Rail Line between Hyderabad and Vijayawada-Laid.

**SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY (NALGONDA):** The erstwhile State of Andhra Pradesh was divided into the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in 2014. Hyderabad and Vijayawada are the principal cities in these two states. They are connected, presently, by a circuitous railway line and the journey takes over six hours. If a straight railway line is laid between Hyderabad and Vijayawada, the journey time can be reduced to less than two hours. The economies of both states would receive a huge boost from such a line.

The NH65 between Hyderabad and Vijayawada already has land adjacent to it, which was acquired earlier and can be used to construct the new railway line from Hyderabad to Vijayawada. Connecting Jaggaiapet and Chityal will be adequate for the purpose of increasing connectivity between these cities.

This would definitely boost economy and traffic between the states of Orissa, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and benefit the countrys economy.