

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3602  
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2002  
K-RIDE PROJECTS  
MARGARET ALVA;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the present status of the projects;
- (b) whether the Railways have made arrangements to obtain approval of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs for setting up of SPV to complete these projects;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the target date fixed for completion of these projects?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA )

(a) to (d): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION 3602 BY SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA AND SHRI .PUTTASWAMY GOWDA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOKSABHA ON 12.12.2002 REGARDING K-RIDE PROJECTS

(a): The present status of the projects are as under:

Latest Outlay Budget Status  
Anticipated to end for  
Cost of 2001 2002-03  
2002  
(Rupees in Crores)

Hubli-Ankola	997.58	14.65	20.00	Final location survey has been completed. Land acquisition plans have been submitted to the State Govt. for part length (47.75 km.). Earthwork has been completed in the 1.8 km length where no land acquisition is involved. Work on rest of the section will be taken up once land is made available. Tenders have been awarded for earthwork and minor bridges for 20 reaches.
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Solapur-Gadag Gauge Conversion	262.05	136.61	20.00	The work is being done in phases. Solapur - Hotgi (16 km) and Hotgi to Bijapur (94 km) has been completed. Earthwork, bridgework and ballast collection is in progress on rest of section from Bijapur to Gadag. Funding through KRIDES is being tried with a view to expedite early completion of this work.
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Hassan-Mangalore 325.93 168.66 45.00 Arsikere-Hassan-Sakleshpur has  
Gauge Conversion been completed. Work is in  
progress in balance length.  
Section is ready for track  
linking in 44 km patch from  
Kankanadi to Kabakaputtur.  
Mangalore - Kabakaputtur (40  
km) is targeted for completion  
during 2002-03. Funding is  
being tried through KRIDE to  
expedite completion.

Guntakal- Hospet 159.10 25.13 38.35 Final location survey has been  
Doubling completed. Contracts for  
earthwork and bridges for  
113.6 km have been awarded and  
work commenced.

(b)&(c): CCEA's approval has been obtained for formation of the SPV (Special Purpose Vehicle) named 'Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Limited' (K-RIDE). A Share holder Agreement has also been signed to operationalise K-RIDE.

d): Target dates for completion of these projects depend upon the ability of the SPV in raising funds.