

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1048
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002
SURVEY OF PUNE-LONAWALA SECTION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have undertaken any survey in the Pune-Lonawala section:
- (b) if so, the details thereof together with anticipated cost of the project and allocations utilised so far; and
- (c) the time by which the survey work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST
RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) A survey for quadrupling of Pune-Lonawala section was conducted recently. As per the survey report, the cost of the project has been assessed as Rs. 322.45 crore with the rate of return of 1.54 per cent. In view of grossly unremunerative nature of the project and acute resource constraints, it has not been found feasible to take up the project. The expenditure incurred on survey is Rs. 4.72 lakh upto 31.3.2001.