

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3048  
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2000  
CONSTRUCTION OF JHARGRAM-PURULIA RAIL LINE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the survey for the construction of a new rail line between Jhargram and Purulia has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to sanction this project?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c) : The Survey Report for Jhargram-Purulia new line has revealed the cost of this 136.24 km. long line as Rs. 267.65 crore with a negative rate of return. In view of the acute constraint of resources as well as unremunerative nature of the line, it has not been found possible to consider taking up the work.