

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3756
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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE OF HUBLI-ANKOLA RAIL LINE
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Government have received the environmental clearance of Hubli-Ankola rail line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the steps being taken to get environmental clearance from the Ministry of Environment and Forests?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): No environmental clearance is required for Railway projects. However, Forestry clearance is required for Hubli-Ankola new line project for which a proposal has already been submitted to the State Government.