

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7609
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DOUBLING OF SURAT-JALGAON RAIL LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the funds were sanctioned several times for doubling the Surat-Jalgaon rail line during the past several years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (c) whether the work for doubling the said rail line has not commenced so far despite the sanctioning of funds;
- (d) if so, the details of the funds utilized for other purposes; and
- (e) the time by which the work is likely to be commenced for doubling the said rail line?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): No, Sir. However, work of Patch doubling between Amalner-Takarkheda and Takarkheda-Dharangaon was taken up in 1989-90. Earthwork and bridges completed between Amalner-Dharangaon. Work was subsequently abandoned as was not required from traffic considerations.

A survey for doubling of Surat (Udhna)-Jalgaon section is also in progress. Further consideration of the proposal would be possible once the survey report becomes available.