

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1492  
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2003  
CONSTRUCTION OF TALCHER-BIMLAGARH RAIL LINE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the names and length of the new rail lines taken up for construction during last three years ending March 2003 with rates of return in each case as per latest survey report;
- (b) the present status of Talcher -Bimlagarh rail line;
- (c) the reason for delay in implementing the project when it provides more rate of return than most of the currently taken up rail lines for construction;
- (d) whether the Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Orissa for the construction of this rail line;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (f): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1492 BY SHRI TRILOCHAN KANUNGO TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 31.07.2003 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF TALCHER-BIMLAGARH RAIL LINE.

(a) : New lines taken up for construction during the last three years alongwith rate of return are as follows:

Zone work	Name of new line (in Km) in Budget	Length (in Km) inclusion Rate of Return(%) as per survey report.	Year of Internal	Financial
North West	Kolayat - Phalodi	111	2002-03	Negative
East Central	Koderma-Tilaiya	68	2001-02	14.52
Eastern	Tarakeshwar-Bishnupur	85	2000-01	Negative
Eastern	Deogarh-Sultanganj	130	2000-01	Negative
Northeast Frontier	New Maynaguri-Jogighopa	245	2000-01	Negative
North	Ajmer-Pushkar	26	2000-01	Negative

West

South Central	Kotipalli-Narsapur	58	2000-01	Negative
Western	Ramganjmandi- Bhopal	262	2000-01	Negative
Western	Gandhinagar-Adrej Moti-Kalol	20	2000-01	Negative

The rate of return given above are as worked out at the time of survey. The same is not updated once the project is included in the budget. Rate of return as per latest Survey report is not available.

(b) to (f): The survey has been completed and the proposal has been sent to Planning Commission for 'in principle' approval. Chief Minister/Orissa has requested for taking up the construction of this line. The project will be included in the budget after requisite approvals.