

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:478
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GAUGE CONVERSION BETWEEN SHEOPUR-GWALIOR
ASHOK ARGAL

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any survey for gauge conversion between Gwalior and Sheopur Kalan in the past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure incurred thereon; and
- (c) the time by which the work on the said project is likely to be started?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A survey for gauge conversion of Gwalior to Sheopur Kalan with extension to Kota was conducted in 1996. As per the survey report, the cost of this 283.96 km long project has been assessed as Rs.363.92 crore with a negative rate of return. In view of grossly unremunerative nature of the project and acute constraint of resources, it has not been feasible to consider the proposal.