

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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LAYING OF RAILWAY LINE IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for laying the Bangalore-Tumkur-Chitradurga-Davangere Railway line in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted for this purpose;
- (c) if so, the details of the survey conducted;
- (d) the time by which the work is likely to be started; and
- (e) if no survey has been conducted, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (e): A survey for construction of new rail line from Tumkur to Davangere via Chitradurg was completed during 1998-99. As per the survey report, cost of construction of 195.76 kms. long line had been assessed as Rs.299.59 crore with Rate of Return of (-) 51.376%. In view of heavy throwforward of ongoing projects and acute constraint of resources, the proposal could not be considered.