

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4226  
ANSWERED ON:18.05.2006  
DOUBLING OF GUWAHATI- TINSUKIA BROAD GAUGE LINE  
Audikesavulu Shri D.K.

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways have taken any decision on doubling the Guwahati-Tinsukia broad gauge line and also think in terms of railway electrification;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress achieved so far regarding the conversion of the hill section's Lumding-Badarpur (Barak Valley) meter gauge into broad gauge ?

**Answer**

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

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): Lumding-Badarpur gauge conversion is part of Lumding-Silchar-Jiribam and Badarpur-Baraigram gauge conversion project. On this project, land acquisition, earthwork, bridges and tunneling works are in various stages of progress and the overall physical progress is about 34 %.