

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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THIRD TRACK BETWEEN SURAT AND AHMEDABAD

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to lay third track on the Surat-Ahmedabad, Mumbai-Ahmedabad and Nagpur-Hyderabad Sections;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether works on these projects have been started; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRIR. VELU)

(a) to (d) : No, Sir. However, the capacity of Ahmedabad-Surat-Mumbai route is being augmented by adopting Automatic Signalling. The construction of Dedicated Freight Corridor on the Western route will also provide additional capacity on this route.

On Nagpur-Hyderabad route, surveys for construction of 3rd line on Itarsi-Nagpur-Ballarshah and Ballarashah-Kazipet sections have also been taken up to assess the traffic on these sections.