

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:289  
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2004  
RAIL DEVELOPMENT IN KERALA  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of proposals received from the Government and the MPs from Kerala regarding rail development in the State; and  
(b) the details of action taken on these proposals, proposals-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 289 BY SHRIMATI C.S. SUJATHA AND SHRIN.N.KRISHNA DAS TO BE ANSWERED IN L O K S A B H A ON 02.12.2004 REGARDING RAIL DEVELOPMENT IN KERALA

(a) and (b): Details of the new proposals for expansion of rail network received from the Government of Kerala and the Hon'ble Members of Parliament from Kerala and action taken thereon is as under:-

Sl. No.	Proposal	Action Taken
1.	Nilambur-Nanjangud (Mysore) new rail line	Survey for construction of new rail line from Nilambur Road to Nanjangud has already been completed. In view of unremunerative nature of the line and acute resource constraint with the Railways, this proposal could not be considered.
2.	Angadippuram-Malapuram-Kondotti-Feroke new rail line	In view of acute resource constraint with the Railways, this proposal could not be considered.
3.	Sabarimala-Punalur with connection to Trivandrum via Pathanampuram & Nedumangadu	On the suggested alignment, updating survey for construction of new line between Erumeli and Trivandrum via Pathanampuram, Punalur & Nedumangadu is in progress.
4.	Tirur-Idappalli	On the suggested alignment, work on new line from Tanur to Guruvayur has already been taken up and the work is in progress.  In view of unremunerative nature of Guruvayur-Iddappalli line and acute resource constraints, proposal for construction of the remaining line could not be considered.
5.	Chengannur-Kottarakara-Thiruvananthapuram new rail line	On the suggested alignment area, a survey for construction of new line between Trivandrum and Kayankulam via Kottarakara was already completed. In view of heavy throwforward of

ongoing projects and acute constraint of resources, the proposal could not be considered

6. Additional line between Ernakulam and Kayankulam On this section patch doubling on Ernakulam-Mulanturutti, Kayankulam-Cheppard, Cheppard-Haripad, Kayankulam-Mavelikara and Mavelikara-Chengannur sections have already been taken up and works are in different stages of progress.

An updating survey for doubling of the remaining section of Ernakulam-Kayankulam via Alleppey and Kottayam has also been taken up and the survey is in progress.

7. Doubling of Trivandrum-Kanyakumari Survey included in the Budget 2004-05.

8. New railway station at Nedumbassery The proposal for opening of a halt station at Nedumbassery has not been found operationally feasible and commercially justified.