

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5003
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DOUBLING OF BIBINAGAR-NALLAPADU RAIL LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have shelved the doubling of Bibinagar–Nallapadu rail-line project;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railway propose to reconsider its decision; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): A survey for doubling of Nallapadu–Pagidipalli–Bibinagar line was completed in 1998–99. As per the survey, the cost of doubling of this 243-km-long line was assessed as Rs. 340.37 crore with a rate of return of 0.973%. In view of non-remunerative nature of the project, heavy throw-forward of ongoing projects and acute constraint of resources, it was not found feasible to consider the proposal.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.