

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2935  
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GAUGE CONVERSION BETWEEN KALOL TO KATOSAN VIA KADI  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways are contemplating to convert the meter gauge between Kalol to Katosen via Kadi railway line into broad gauge;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): No, Sir. However, a survey for gauge conversion of Kalol-Kadi-Katosan was completed in 2001-02. As per the survey report, the cost of conversion of 37.23 Km long line was assessed as Rs. 49.87 crore with Rate of Return of (-) 0.75%. In view of unremunerative nature, heavy throw-forward of ongoing projects and constraint of resources, the project could not be considered.