

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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RAIL PROJECT BETWEEN VILLUPURAM DINDIGUL MADURAI AND COLACHAL PORT

Baalu Thiru Thalikkottai Rajuthevar

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

(a) the status of ongoing railway doubling project between Villupuram-Dindigul and Madurai-Colachal Port;and

(b) the time by which the said project is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): On Villupuram-Dindigul doubling project, final location survey completed and tenders for civil, electrical and other works processed. This project is likely to be completed by the year 2014.

Colachel Port is near Eraniel station existing on Kanniyakumari-Thiruvananthapuram rail route. Doubling of Madurai-Eraniel/Kanniyakumari rail line is not sanctioned.