

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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NEW RAILWAY LINE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the present status of work on new railway lines between Indore and Dahod and gauge conversion between Ratlam and Khandwa; and

(b) the time frame set for the completion of these works?

**Answer**

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

(a): The present status of Dahod-Indore new line and Ratlam-Mhow-Khandwa-Akola gauge conversion projects is as under:

(i) Dahod-Indore (200.97 km) via Sardarpur, Dhar new line: Physical Execution has been taken up where land is available. 3 minor bridges and 60000 cum earthwork have been completed. An expenditure of Rs 61.34 crore has been incurred upto March' 2010 and an outlay of ` 75 crore has been provided during 2010-11.

(ii) Ratlam-Mhow-Khandwa-Akola (472.64 km) gauge conversion: Preliminary works like preparation of plan, estimates, Final Location Survey, etc. are in advance stage of completion. Execution work has been taken up in Akola-Akot section (43.50 km). An outlay of ` 40 crore has been provided during 2010-11.

(b): The time period of completion of these projects will depend upon availability of resources.