

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:901
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GAUGE CONVERSION IN N.F. RAILWAY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose gauge conversion of Rangiya-Murkongchelek route under Northeast Frontier (N.F.) Railway;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that slow pace of construction work on Bogibeel Bridge over Brahmaputra is affecting the gauge conversion of this route; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Railways to expedite the construction of Bogibeel Bridge and conversion works of the said route?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): Gauge conversion of Rangiya- Murkongselek (510.33 km) section is a sanctioned National Project. On this project, land acquisition, earthwork, bridges and track work have been taken up on entire stretch and the works are in various stages of progress. Rangiya –Rangpara North (123.6 km.) section of this project is targeted for completion by March, 2012.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.