

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1941  
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MANAMADURAI VIRUDHUNAGAR GAUGE CONVERSION  
Tagore Shri Manicka

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

- (a) the present status of gauge conversion of Manamadurai-Virudhunagar line;
- (b) the funds allocated/utilised so far; and
- (c) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): On Manamadurai-Virudhunagar gauge conversion project (66.55 km), gauge conversion of Virudhunagar -Aruppukottai (21.50 km) has already been completed and balance portion is targeted for completion by March, 2012 where earthwork, bridge works and track linking have been taken up.

An expenditure of Rs. 138.99 crore has been incurred upto March, 2011 and an outlay of Rs. 10 crore has been provided for this project during 2011-12.