

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:657  
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DHARWAD-BELGAUM-BAILHONGAL LINE  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the survey for new line between Dharwad-Belgaum via Bailhongal as announced in Rail Budget 2009-10 has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the work on said line is likely to be started and completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): A survey for Dharwad-Belgaum via Bailhongal new line has already been completed. As per its survey report, cost of construction of 91 Km long line has been assessed as Rs. 545.56 crore. This proposal has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited to conduct Bankability study and their report is awaited.

(c): This new line work is not sanctioned and thus, no time frame for its starting/completion can be indicated.