

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2460  
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2011  
PROJECTS FOR ASSAM  
Suklabaidya Shri Lalit Mohan

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

- (a) the details and present status of various railway projects as announced in the Rail Budget 2010-11 & 2011-12 for the State of Assam;
- (b) the steps taken/being taken to expedite the completion of said projects;
- (c) the present status of gauge conversion under Barak Valley Project which has been pending for the last 15 years; and
- (d) the steps being taken to expedite the completion of the said project?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2460 BY SHRI lalit mohan suklabaidya TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.12.2011 REGARDING PROJECTS FOR ASSAM

(a)&(b): Murkongselek-Pasighat new line project pertaining to the State of Assam has been included in the Railway Budget 2011-12. Preliminary activities like Final Location Survey, preparation plan, estimates, etc. of the project have been taken up.

(c): The present status of gauge conversion projects under Barak Valley is as under:-

S.No.	Name of the project	Overall Progress (%) upto October, 2011	Status/target date of completion
-------	---------------------	---	----------------------------------

1.	Gauge Conversion of Lumding-Silchar-Jiribam, Badarpur to Baraigram & Baraigram - Kumarghat (367.79 km) sections	68.93%	Work in progress. Target date of completion is December, 2013
----	---	--------	---

2.	Gauge Conversion of Katakhal-Bhairabi (84 km)	37.50%	Work in progress. Target date of completion is March, 2014
----	---	--------	--

(d): Efforts are being made for early completion of these projects by close monitoring of progress of the works, follow up with revenue department and forest department for handling over of remaining revenue and forest land etc.