

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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ELECTRIFICATION DOUBLING
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose electrification of Kiul-Gaya-Sheikhpura line and electrification and doubling on Bhagalpur-Kiul line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the work on both these projects is likely to be started and completed?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Proposal for electrification of Kiul-Sheikhpura-Manpur rail line is under scrutiny and Manpur-Gaya section is already electrified. At present, there is no proposal to electrify Bhagalpur-Kiul rail line as the electrification of railway tracks is decided based on financial viability, traffic volume and operational flexibility.

As far as doubling of Bhagalpur-Kiul rail line is concerned, doubling work between Kajra and Kiul has been completed and doubling work between Jamalpur and Ratanpur is held up due to non-availability of forestry clearance.

(c): Does not arise.