

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2736
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SABARI RAIL FROM ANGAMALI
Sampath Shri Anirudhan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have accorded sanctions for the works of the proposed `Sabari Rail` from Angamali;
- (b) if so, the stage of the works undertaken;
- (c) whether the Railways have received any request for extension of the Sabari Rail to Thiruvananthapuram via Punalur and Nedumangad; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Railways thereto?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Out of 516.42 hectare land required for the project requisition for 470.86 hectare has been submitted to the State Government, out of which 7.12 hectare land has been made available by the State Government. Earthwork and bridgeworks are in progress in first Reach of 5 km from Angamali. Tenders have been processed for construction of Periyar Bridge.

(c): Yes, Madam.

(d): Erumeli-Pattanamthita-Punalur-Thiruvananthapuram new line has been announced In the Budget Speech for the year 2009-10. Erumell is the proposed station on Angamali-Azutha (Sabarimala) new line. The proposed new line would also pass through Needumangad.