

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3199
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2012
ANGAMALI SABARIMALA RAILWAY LINE
Antony Shri Anto;Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of work on Angamali-Sabarimala new line including the status of land acquisition and details of the compensation paid;
- (b) the estimated cost of implementation of the said project;
- (c) whether the Government of Kerala has expressed inability to share the cost and requested the Railways to bear full cost of the project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with response of the Railways thereto; and
- (e) the time-frame set for the completion of the said project ?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3199 BY SHRI ANTO ANTONY AND SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 30.08.2012 REGARDING ANGAMALI-SABARIMALA RAILWAY LINE.

(a): 23 hectare of land at a cost of Rs. 64.51 crore has been taken over for the first block section from Angamali to Kaladi. Earthwork, minor bridges and Periyar Bridge works are in progress. Balance land acquisition is also under process. However, land acquisition in Kottayam District is held up as the alignment is to be finalised in consultation with the State Government.

(b): Total estimated cost of the entire project is presently assessed as Rs. 1566 crore.

(c): Yes, Madam.

(d): Issue of cost sharing for this project is being pursued with the State Government.

(e): Work on Angamali-Kalidi (7 Km) section is targeted for completion during 2012-13. No target date for completion of the balance portion is fixed.