

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4177  
ANSWERED ON:06.09.2012  
CHANGES IN GAUGE CONVERSION  
Kaswan Shri Ram Singh

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

- (a) whether the Railways propose to make changes in the design/alignment of proposed gauge conversion on Ratangarh-Sardarshahr section;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways have received demands to pass this railway line via Pioli village on Ratangarh-Bikaner section; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon by the Railways?

**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. 4177 BY SHRI RAM SINGH KASWAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.09.2012 REGARDING CHANGES IN GAUGE CONVERSION.

(a)&(b): North Western Railway has recommended change in alignment of gauge conversion of existing railway line between Ratangarh Jn.-Ratangarh West by passing Ratangarh City. On new alignment, trains will have to travel 5.5 km through the existing Ratangarh-Bikaner line and take off from Pioli station to meet at km 4.32 on the existing alignment between Ratangarh-Sardarshahr. Proposal is under examination.

(c): Yes, Madam.

(d): Railway has received demands to pass the converted Railway line via Payli village to Nosaria from Hon'ble MP, Hon'ble MLA, Collector, Churu and other organization.