

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:91
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UNUSED LAND AT KANTABANJI
Deo Shri Kalikesh Narayan Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are aware of 700 acres of railway land lying unutilised at Kantabanji in the Bolangir district of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways propose the construction of any railway factory in Kantabanji;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Railways for utilisation of the said land?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

(a) to (e): No, Madam. At Kantabanji, total 540.56 acres of land is with Railway. Out of this, approximately 76.74 acres land is presently vacant, and is being utilized for various purposes such as ballast/ material stacking and road traffic movement, during emergencies etc. At present, no Railway factory is sanctioned at Kantabanji.