

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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METRO PROJECT IN KOLKATA
Das Gupta Shri Gurudas

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any change in the alignment of Kolkata Metro's proposed link from Airport to Howrah is under consideration;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the objective therefor;
- (c) whether the new alignment is likely to lead to time and cost overruns for the said project; and
- (d) if so, the steps being proposed to be taken to offset such time and cost overruns?

Answer

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

- (a) At present, no Metro Railway line Project is sanctioned for direct connection between Airport to Howrah in the city of Kolkata.

However, one East West Metro line is under construction between Howrah and Sector V, by Kolkata Metro Rail Corporation Limited (KMRCL). Another Metro line is also being constructed from Kavi Subhash to Biman Bandar (Airport) by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL), which will have facility for interchange at Sector V, for passengers of East West Metro Line.

- (b) to (d) Do not arise.