

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4441

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RAIL LINK BETWEEN PORT BLAIR TO DIGLIPUR

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

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal for development of rail link between Port Blair to Diglipur in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be taken up?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): A survey for construction of new line from Port Blair to Diglipur was completed in the year 2002. The cost of construction of 250 Km. long line was assessed as Rs. 867.46 crore for broad gauge and Rs. 420.98 crore for meter gauge. The project was not taken up.