GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1894 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2015 SURVEY FOR NEW RAIL LINES Simha Shri Prathap

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any initial and updated Survey has been conducted for laying a new railway line between Shimoga-Mangalore via Sringeri and Talguppa-Siddapur sectors in the State of Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Railways in this regard;
- (d) whether the Railways are considering to sanction laying of new railway line from Chikmagalur-Sakaleshpur, Shimoga-Talaguppa, Bangalore-Satyamangalam, Kottur-Harihar and Munirabad-Raichur in Karnataka; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

- (a) to (c): Surveys for Shimoga-Mangalore (220 Km) new line via Sringeri and for Talguppa- Siddapur (18 Km) new line have been sanctioned in 2014-15 and these surveys have been taken up.
- (d) and (e): Broad gauge line already exists on Shimoga-Talguppa and Kottur-Harihar sections.

Bangalore-Satyamangalam is already a sanctioned new line project where work in non forest area portion i.e. Hejjala-Chamarajanagar has been taken up. Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur and Munirabad-Raichur sections are also covered in the sanctioned new line projects for Kadur- Chikmagalur-Sakleshpur and Munirabad-Mehboobnagar respectively and work on these sections have also been taken up.