

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS TO RAILWAY PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have any plans to fund railway projects in the North- Eastern region which are not commercially viable;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Railways have taken up 12 new line, 4 gauge conversion and 2 doubling projects in North Eastern Region at a cost of ` 45128 crore. None of these projects is financially/commercially viable and all these projects have been taken up on socio- economic considerations.