

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONVERSION OF RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways propose to connect railway line in Sitapur district in Uttar Pradesh in Northern Railway and now meter gauge line of north eastern line to broad gauge line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. To convert the existing Meter Gauge line in Sitapur district in Uttar Pradesh, gauge conversion of Lucknow-Sitapur-Pilibhit section has already been taken up at an anticipated cost of `927 crores. An expenditure of `40 crore has been incurred on it as on 31.03.2015. An outlay of `350 crores has been provided for the project in Budget 2015-16 in order to expedite its completion. However, as the project is at an initial stage of execution and funding of this project in coming years will depend on overall availability of funds, time lines for completion of this project have not been fixed.