

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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New Rail Lines

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

- (a) whether the process of laying new rail line from Sultanganj to Banka and Sultanganj to Deoghar via Asarganj, Tarapur, Sangrampur Belhar and Katoria under Jamalpur-Bhagalpur rail section of the Eastern Railway has been completed; and  
(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which construction work is likely to be completed along with the amount of funds likely to be spent on construction of both the rail lines?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Sultanganj to Banka (61 km) new line work, part of Deoghar-Sultanganj (116 km) new line project, has not been taken forward on account of unremunerative nature of the project and limited availability of funds for new line projects. Sultanganj-Katoria via Asarganj, Tarapur, Sangrampur, Belhar new line project was sanctioned in 2007-08 at a cost of `289 crore. Staking of alignment on ground has been completed. However, further execution of this project could not be taken up due to non-acquisition of requisite land and limited availability of funds. An outlay of `2 crore has been provided in Railway Budget 2016-17. Target date for completion has not been fixed.

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