

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF RAIL NETWORK
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways have conducted any survey for laying of new rail lines from Patna to Aurangabad via Bihta in the State of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Railways propose to develop rail network in terror affected areas of the country, if so, the details of the steps taken by the Railways in this regard;
- (d) whether the Railways have initiated any action for acquisition of land after completion of rail line survey for construction of new rail lines; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Patna is already connected with Bihta. Further, work of Bihta-Aurangabad (118 km) New Line has been sanctioned. Final Location Survey has been taken up.
- (c): Railway projects are undertaken depending upon demand for a route, justification, etc. including those in terror affected areas.
- (d) & (e): Initially a Preliminary Engineering-cum-Traffic Survey is undertaken and based on the survey report, project is further considered for sanction. Land acquisition proceedings are undertaken only after sanction of the work.