

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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SURVEY WORK OF RAIL LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the survey work of Ghanauli-Dehradun railway line connecting Ghanauli in Himachal Pradesh with Dehradun in Uttarakhand via Nalagarh, Baddi and Kala Aamb route has been started at present;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the current status of the said project;
- (c) whether the Railways have fixed any time limit regarding the completion of the said survey work;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : Survey for construction of new rail line between Ghanauli and Dehradun via Nalagarh, Baddi, Kala Amb, Paonta Sahib was completed in 2011. As per survey report, the cost of construction of 186 km long rail line was assessed as Rs. 3746 crore (at 2011 price level) with a negative rate of return. Because of its unremunerative nature, huge throwforward of ongoing projects and limited availability of resources, the project could not be taken forward.