

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Railways have any plan to extend Moradabad to Sambhal railway line upto Gajraula and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Railways propose to construct rail overbridge at Chandausi in Sambhal District in the State of Uttar Pradesh and if so, the time by which it is likely to be constructed; and
- (c) the time by which the number of passenger trains from Moradabad to Sambhal is likely to be increased as there is only one train is running at present on this route?

Answer

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

(a): A BG (Broad Gauge) line is already operational between Moradabad and Sambhal. To assess the feasibility and viability of laying a new line from Sambhal to Gajraula, a Re-connaissance Engineering-cum-Traffic Survey was conducted in the year 2008-09 for New Line between Sambhal Hatim Sarai to Gajraula (43 kms) and the cost was assessed at Rs.175 Crores (at 2007-08 price level) which showed 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.

(b): The work of construction of Road Over Bridge (ROB) in lieu of Level Crossing (LC) 36-B at Chandausi Station Yard on Chandausi-Aligarh section has been sanctioned in the year 2014-15 on Cost Sharing basis.

In the construction of ROB, generally Railway undertakes construction of Railway Bridge Portion whereas approaches are constructed by State Government. As such, the time by which construction of ROB is likely to be completed depends on positive cooperation from the State Government.

(c): At present, there is no proposal to introduce train between Moradabad and Sambhal Hatim Sarai, which is already being served by one pair of passenger train Viz 54397/54398 Moradabad -Sambhal Hatim Sarai passenger.