

**Title: Need to complete survey of the proposed broad gauge rail line from Jeypore to Nowrangpur and Jeypore to Malkangiri, Orissa during 2003 – 2004- Laid.**

**SHRI PARASHURAM MAJHI (NOWRANGPUR) :** The KBK districts and especially undivided Koraput district endowed with rich mineral and forest resources. But, rail communication is not adequately available to these districts. There has been growing demand for the construction of a 45 kms. broad gauge rail line from jeypore to Nowarangpur line is on progress where as no step has been taken to complete the survey of the line from jeypore to Malkangiri.

Once these lines are constructed the rail communication to the remote areas of undivided Koraput district will be established. Besides, these lines will facilitate the establishment of several mineral, forest and agro-based plants. The economy of the people of these areas will improve.

I, request the Government that the survey of the proposed broad gauge rail line from Jeypore to Nawarangpur to Jeypore to Malkangiri may be completed during 2003-04 so that further steps will be taken for the construction of these small B.G. lines during Tenth Plan period.