

Title: Need for laying of a third line between Kharagpur and Panskura in South Eastern Railway.

SHRI PRABODH PANDA (MIDNAPORE): There has been a long-standing demand of third line between Kharagpur and Panskura in South Eastern Railway. Howrah-Kharagpur Section of South Eastern Railway is one of the busiest routes of Indian Railways. This is an important area from the commercial point of view. There was a third line from Howrah to Panskura. But, between Kharagpur and Panskura, there is no third line. So, each and every day most of the trains are running late due to absence of third line. Hundreds of express, passenger and goods trains from the Southern Zone and the Western Zone of India are running on these up and down lines. Kharagpur Railway Junction is one of the largest junctions in our country. There is a longest platform in the world at Kharagpur Station. I would like to urge upon the hon. Railway Minister to fulfil the long-standing demands of people as early as possible.