Title: Need to undertake a fresh feasibility study for laying a rail line between Shegaon - Khamgaon and Jalana in Maharashtra.- Laid.

SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL (BULDHANA): Through you, I would like to draw the attention of Minister of Railways towards the long pending demand of Vidarbha and Marathwada regions for providing direct rail line between Shegaon-Khamgaon and Jalana.

People of Vidarbha and Marathwada regions particularly Buldhana Parliamentary Constituency have to use the route via Purna-Akola or Manmad-Jamner to reach Shegaon or Jalana which is expensive and results in wastage of time.

Vidarbha is backward and tribal dominated region and the industries of Vidarbha and Marathwara regions are suffering due to nonavailability of cheaper transport or container services on shortest route, i.e. Shegaon-Jalana.

During the British regime in 1926 a survey was conducted to connect Khamgaon with Jalana directly. Thereafter, after Independence another survey was conducted by the Government of India. But so far no work has been initiated for construction of railway line between Shegaon, Khamgaon and Jalana despite repeated request from public representatives and Government of Maharashtra.

Therefore, I request the Hon'ble Minister of Railways through you, to pay due consideration on the request and direct the concerned authorities to have a fresh survey done for laying Shegaon, Khamgaon-Jalana rail line.